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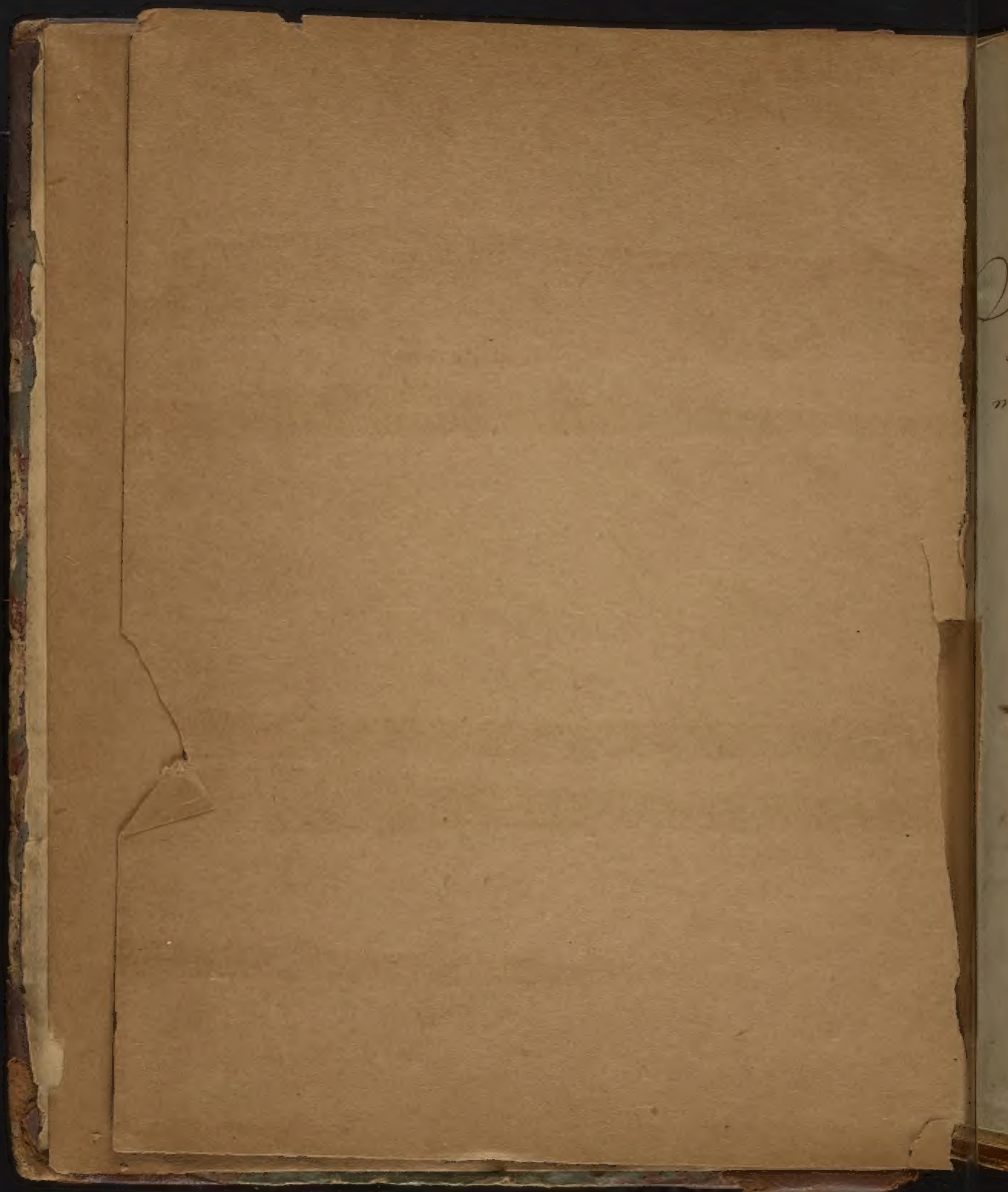
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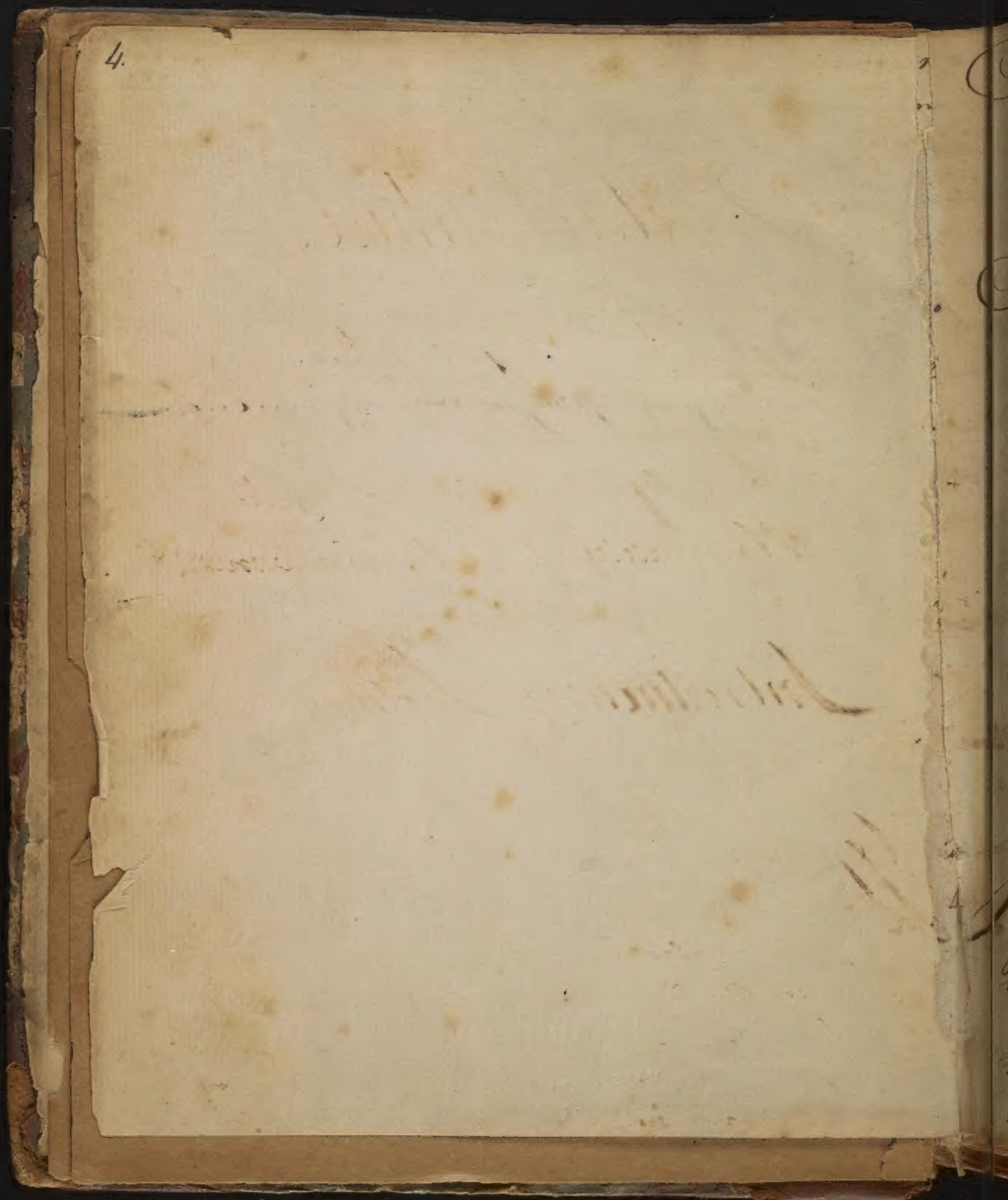




*Isaacus Graham in medicina studio se addixit  
 duodecima die mensis Aprilis, Anno redemptionis  
 nostrae Milleesimo septingentesimo octogesimo Octo. —*

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Lectures on Chemistry by  
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## Introductory Lecture.

Gentlemen,

I once more have the honour of addressing  
you personally to a course of Lectures on Chemistry & the  
History and Practice of Medicine. In this Lecture I shall endeavour  
to shew the objects, importance & usefulness of Chemistry.  
The proposer of every Science thought, that the more ancient  
the origin of that science could be placed the more dignity it



4. it is supposed. Chemistry therefore held its origin placed in  
times of the most early Antiquity: Thus Noah whom  
we read of in Scripture, was versed in the Art of making  
wine, & Tubal Cain who was a worker in brass were  
said to be expert Chemists. In my opinion Chemistry  
instead of being the most ancient, is the most modern  
of the Sciences. The persons who say otherwise do not  
distinguish between the practice of an Art and the principles  
of a Science. But being a modern Science in name  
detracts from its dignity; for as Lord Bacon observes  
those sciences which are of most use to mankind have  
required the longest time for their formation: Thus  
Astronomy, Navigation, & Electricity were not reduced  
to fixed principles till modern times.

The Earth and ~~whatever~~ <sup>every</sup> compound substance  
which lies hid in its bowels, or is exposed on its  
surface; the waters and whatever are contained in them  
the air and all matters dispersed thro it, are the objects  
of Chemistry. From hence appears what an extensive  
Science it is. And it will be proper to mark the  
difference between Natural Philosophy & Chemistry  
The first treats of the general properties of Bodies



as specific Gravity, Solidity, Elasticity &c whilst<sup>5.</sup>  
the latter only treats of their particular Qualities. Thus  
with regard to Air: The Natural Philosopher explains  
its Transparency, elasticity, weight, Bulk &c whilst  
the Chemist endeavours to determine whether it is a  
compound or simple body; if a compound, what are  
its constituent parts, in what manner these parts are  
united. Lastly the Effects of heat and mixture upon it.

A Knowledge of Chemistry is of the greatest use to  
the Physiologist; it is absolutely necessary he should  
be acquainted with it, for without it, he can get  
little insight into the nature of the animal fluids.  
By our acquaintance with it he is enabled to discover,  
that the important process of digestion in the Stomach is  
scarcely at least carried on by a Chemical process: some  
light is also thrown on secretion by the same means.  
It must be remembered however, that the Laws, which  
apply to the action of dead matter upon dead matter,  
cannot be applied, but with considerable restriction,  
to the action of inanimate on animate bodies.  
This was not attended to when Chemistry was made  
use of to explain the Functions of the animal machine.

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6. Since it was frequently applied in a very imbrued  
and injudicious manner, to account for the Ph  
nomena in the animal system; which are produced  
by causes totally inexplicable on Chemical prin  
ciples. But a more intimate knowledge of the Science  
removed the false application of it - The mechanical  
Philosophy, when first introduced to account for the  
Phenomena, was used in the same unlimited injudicious  
manner; but for the same cause it is at present applied  
with considerable restriction and consequently with  
more propriety. We are still acquainted with <sup>the causes of</sup> many  
that. You could render this cause apparent it is,  
throw light on many appearances which occur in the  
animal economy which are now entirely concealed from  
us. Chemistry, as will hereafter be made to appear,  
tends most evidently to the disclosure of the cause of  
this Phenomenon. This Science is also applied  
with the greatest advantage to Pathology: - Thus by  
a knowledge of it, we may be led to the proper  
method of investigating the causes of diseases, and the  
manner in which the potentia recentes as they are  
called produce their Effects in the human body



There is no reason to conclude that the contagious  
miasmata exert their malignant influence by exciting  
a species of fermentation in the blood? —

An intimate knowledge of Chemistry is absolutely  
necessary for the Physician, for ignorant of it he would  
be unable to prescribe different Medicines at the same  
time which might decompose each other, or disorder  
the Composition in it; or, by their action on each other  
they might produce new compounds possessing virtues  
entirely different from those the prescriber expects;  
perhaps by the new arrangement of parts which takes  
place they may generate substances having noxious  
Qualities. We have reason to believe that the mineral  
Kingdom contains an Antidote to every disease with  
which the human Body is liable to be affected. — Thus  
we find Tartar emetic to be a certain cure in most  
Cases of Scur when exhibited in certain stages of  
that disorder and in proper doses, at the necessary  
intervals of time. The venereal Disease "that just  
kings & lawful emperors" baffled the attempts of  
the most eminent Physicians to cure it until  
mercury was discovered to be its certain antidote.



8. It is by Chemistry we are taught to prepare this and other  
mineral Substances so as to be fitted to enter the human Body.  
It is by the assistance of this Science we are enabled to obtain salutary  
medicines from Substances the most pernicious. — Some persons have  
imagined that the vegetable Kingdom contained medicines fully  
capable of curing all diseases, and therefore that there is no  
necessity for having recourse to the mineral Kingdom. But I  
would beg leave to ask them, Gentlemen, did not the same Almighty  
Power, which planted the Rhyssa, endow'd the Peruvian Bark  
with its wonderful Qualities, infuse a medicinal Virtue into the  
Substances which are buried in the bowels of the Earth. I do not  
mean to infer that Galenic medicines possess no healing prop-  
ties: on the contrary I think they are endued with very valuable  
virtues; but Chemistry is still applicable too, as scarcely any  
vegetable can be prepared for use without its aid. —

This Science also explains the Action of the Air and cold, sun,  
etc. so that useful to the Physician, as by its means he can ascer-  
tain the Qualities of the Climate in which he lives. The Knowledge  
of these Qualities is absolutely necessary to the Physician who  
is engaged in practice, as many Diseases take their origin  
from a sudden change in these Qualities. All diseases are  
much affected according to the State of the Climate in which  
they happen. By a Knowledge of Chemistry, Physicians  
are sometimes enabled to discover the Causes of Diseases  
which otherwise would have remained concealed from them.  
Thus Dr. Boerhaave by being versed in this Science, has pretty  
fully ascertained the Cause of the Venustine Cholic. —



~~The liquor is justly by justly says the~~ The liquor which  
was impregnated with lead ~~in that country~~. This liquor  
becomes thus impregnated by running from the Press thro'  
Lead pipes & during its acidity passage by its acidity depositing  
part of this metal. Some years ago the people of Amsterdam  
~~in France~~ were much afflicted for several succeed-  
ing autumns with a species of Colic much resembling  
that of Devonshire. It was discovered by a Physician  
that this disease was occasioned by the use of water  
impregnated with Lead. He conjectured that the water  
ret this impregnation from the leaves of the trees, which  
grow before almost every house, during the Autumn  
falling on the roofs of the houses, all which were at that  
time covered with Lead. These leaves being then would ferment  
& thus form a Vermiger which would corrode the Lead, & water  
would descend by the succeeding rains, & such water was  
used in diet by the Inhabitants. His conjecture has  
been fully verified; for since that time the Lead on roofs  
have been removed & Tiled instead of the Colic now is  
very seldom heard of.

Chemists of the greatest Service to the Metallurgist  
would have extend the meaning of metallurgy for that term  
is commonly done. I would comprehend under every Operation  
which is performed on any metals by any artist whatever  
the Mechanist have to work on the bowels of the Earth  
to discover a substance capable of converting the baser



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Part 1<sup>st</sup>

In our introductory Lecture we pointed out the uses of  
Chemistry. At present we shall proceed to say something  
of its origin. This science was reared in its cradle in Egypt  
and from thence traveled to Greece & Rome. Mosaic we  
find mixed Gold with Water, & from hence we conclude  
he had some knowledge of Chemistry. In Greece Chemistry  
made some progress; but as it was entirely confined to Books  
& made less advancement than it otherwise would have  
done. In Rome it first made its appearance as a regular science  
at this time the Alchemists made their appearance who aimed  
at turning the base Metals into Gold; which coming to the  
knowledge of the Emperor Dioclesian, he published an Edict  
which put a stop to their attempts, saying, if they succeeded  
by acquiring wealth, they might be enabled to rebel  
against them. About the 10<sup>th</sup> Century Chemistry  
revived in Arabia & Avicenna wrote at this time  
upon Alchemy. From Arabia Chemistry with the other  
sciences traveled westwards & first fixed its seat in Spain  
& made its next appearance in Germany.

This country is peculiarly adapted for its improvement  
as it abounds with Mines. Boerhaave gives a long  
list of persons who cultivated the science in this Country,  
but Paracelsus appears to be the first worthy of our notice.



12. He seems to be a very singular and extraordinary  
Character and distinguished celebrated Chemist. Before  
him, Galen reigned the Tyrant in the Schools of Physic  
Paracelsus first disputed and called in Question his Doctrine  
His opinions tho at first thought bold, finally overthrewed the  
of Galen. Soon after the Death of Paracelsus chemistry  
made its appearance in England, & was particularly cher-  
ished by Lord Bacon, who was the first who wrote upon the  
Science in that Country. His works are ingenious and  
deserv'dly valued. Soon after him appeared the celebrated  
Mr Boyle who did more Service to Chemistry, than all  
the Authors that lived before him. As he was born in easy  
Circumstances it was in his power to improve the Science  
very much by employing a great number of Artists in his Lab-  
oratory. He was a Man of great Sagacity & Acuteness, and his writings  
are in a plain easy Style. He concealed nothing but those things  
which he rec'd. under promise of Secrecy, or which he thought would  
be detrimental to the Community if divulged. In some cases  
he was rather too credulous, in capable of receiving others  
he imagined no one would deceive him. He exposed the ab-  
surd Philosophy of those days. He was and entirely. Some Facts are  
declared that he learned more, from frequenting the Shops of  
Artificers, than from all the Books he ever read.

The Works of Bacon & Boyle spread a desire of this Knowledge  
all over Europe. About this Time the Royal Society was for-  
med at London. Their Example was followed by others of Gen.



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Genova) in other countries. In Germany Stahl, Hoffmann  
Kunkel & Haugraaf were as Chemists. In France  
Geoffroy, Lemery, Macquer & Rouelle &c. In England Chemistry  
made but little progress. It has lately revived there  
(M<sup>r</sup> Lewis spread a Taste for it among some people of the  
first rank. His Philosophical commerce of Arts shows  
how much the arts may be improved by Chemistry  
Dr Priestly & Wm<sup>th</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> Lavoisier have collected facts. To Dr  
Cullen & Black of Edinburgh we are particularly indebted  
for this Facts being arranged. Dr Black deserves to be  
considered as the Father of Chemistry, and first taught it as  
a regular Science, we shall thro this Lesson consider it in  
this light. M<sup>r</sup> Boyle considered it as a Branch of Natural  
Philosophy. most late writers consider it as an art. The  
Compounders of Medicines have been called Chemists, but  
improperly, as they are no more Chemists than the Brewer  
or the Baker. He is only an artist who puts in practice  
what Men of Science have discovered. Great care  
should be taken to distinguish Chemistry from the other  
Sciences hence we should be cautious in admitting a  
definition of it. Dr Stahl's definition is too long Besides  
he considers it as an art. Macquer abounds with turns  
and is difficult to be understood as the Term Chemistry itself.  
Dr Black has fixed upon a definition which is devoid of  
these faults Chemistry is that Science that teaches the  
Effects



8. 14. Effects of Heat & mixture, to improve our Knowledge in  
Nature and Arts, "The more we attend to this description  
the more we shall be pleased with it. Heat & mixture  
produce all the changes which nature is now making  
Heat enlarges all nature and it will afford us much  
instruction & contemplation its Effects. We will just men-  
tion its use in the Operations upon vegetables. By its action  
we determin. insensient, (deciduous, resins. from burning the  
we determin. from their ashes a Salt which combined with  
all forms of life; & this same salt when fused with vitres  
Earth gives us glass. By mixture the Metallurgists  
enabled to fuse his ores. By the mixture of Pottery & the  
we form Porcelain. all our beautiful Varnishes are formed  
by the mixture of resin and good Spirit of wine. All the  
different Prints and Colours are formed by mixture.  
Ether is produced by adding an Acid to kind of Wine.  
There is scarcely a chemical Operation, in which mixture  
not a useful and necessary Agent, some object to our Learning  
that Chemistry is not a Science. What it tends only to  
improve our Knowledge in Nature and not in the Arts;  
For say they, the improvements in the Arts have been made  
by the Artists themselves, who were ignorant of Chemistry.  
We grant and the love of money may have had some influ-  
ence to make discoveries, but the greatest were made  
by men eminent in Chemistry, and who were not



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ignorant only of the name of the Science on which  
they excell, We shall now treat of the plan we mean to  
pursue. ~~in~~ We shall first treat of the general Effects of heat  
2<sup>dly</sup> of the general Effects of mixture. 3<sup>dly</sup> of the agents  
which are used in Chemical Operations. This we now to consi-  
der on the first part of our course. In the second part  
we more properly called the objects of Chemistry  
these are first divided into Salts 2<sup>d</sup> Earths 3<sup>d</sup> Inflammables  
4<sup>th</sup> Metals & Waters 6<sup>th</sup> Airs, 7<sup>th</sup> Animal & Vegetable Substances  
In speaking of these things we shall first treat of the  
Effects of heat; secondly those of mixture, thirdly of the  
acc<sup>t</sup> of their medicinal History. under one or other of these  
heads we shall comprehend the science of Chemistry.

It is a natural question for young men entering  
upon this study to enquire what Books they shall read  
and I must own myself at a loss to know what Books  
to recommend to you. Boerhaave's Chemical works  
are only useful on acc<sup>t</sup> of the Descriptions of the operations;  
but he is often tedious & sometimes faulty & erroneous in his history  
of the Virtues of the preparations. Boyle's works may be consulted  
occasionally with advantage. The natural history of Gold,  
the human Blood, and of precious Stones are worth your  
attention. Macquer's Elements of Chemistry is a work that  
that should be in all your libraries but he is faulty in points of System.



8. 16 System, Verrey, etc. He says it shall have frequently  
to mention his name only to point out his errors.  
Fourcroy's Chemistry is an useful work. For besides  
all the modern Discoveries, you will find some good ob-  
servations on natural History - Kirwinn's Mineralogy  
may also be consulted. He is the first writer who has  
brought Chemistry to the Aid of Natural History  
The Connection between these Sciences is very great  
It has been justly observed, that, where Natural History  
ends, Chemistry begins, and where Chemistry  
ends the Physician begins -

### Section - 1<sup>st</sup>

#### We come now to treat Of Heat.

We will not pretend to account for the Cause of it  
Lord Bacon deduces it from the Motion, Section 1<sup>st</sup> of  
Bodies which appears plausible, but it is not true, as  
Heates by no means proportioned to motion, and  
motion will not explain all the Effects of Heat -  
Others derive it from the tumultuous motion or vibration  
of ~~solids~~ elastic Fluids in the pores of Bodies. Sir  
Isaac Newton calls it Ether, from which he also explains  
the Phenomena of Electricity, magnetism and  
Gravitation. There are some things which tend to prove  
thus to refute this notion. & Others have been more



more successful in their Conjectures than the two <sup>1<sup>st</sup></sup> & <sup>2<sup>d</sup></sup> Phyl.  
by Heat we mean the power of exciting Expansion,  
Fluidity, Vapour & Ignition in Bodies.

The Laws of the Communication of Heat are the  
following

1<sup>st</sup> The Communication of Heat is common to all Bodies  
and peculiar to none, always tending to Equilibrium  
This shows the expansive power of Heat, which is always  
endeavouring to recede from the Center

2<sup>d</sup> The Communication of Heat requires some time  
and different Times for different Bodies

3<sup>d</sup> Two Bodies of <sup>different</sup> Quantity & Quality of Matter  
but different in shape, lose or receive Heat in proportion  
to their Surfaces. The larger the Surface and the quicker  
one they are affected with Heat or Cold, thus a small Center  
will grow hot or cold, sooner than a larger, as the former  
contains a greater Surface in proportion to the quantity  
than the latter. Thus also a great leaf will be much  
sooner affected with Heat or Cold, than a Gold Sphere  
or Center containing the same Quantity of Matter. We  
shall show this Law to be of application hereafter, when we  
come to treat of Thermometers

4<sup>th</sup> Two Bodies of the same matter and form, but different in  
Quantity Heat & Cold in proportion to their Diameters

5<sup>th</sup> Heat passes out of Bodies quicker in proportion when  
the Layers are fewest. Sweet



6. Heat is communicated to Bodies, quicker or slower in proportion to the Contiguity of Parts. Thus Heat will be communicated from One body to another quicker than from one Sphere to another, as thus. latter have but one point of Contact.

7. Surfaces and Bodies being given they receive or lose Heat in proportion to their quality. as heat this quality is we know not, thus barbroock supposes this to be to the density of Bodies, but he is mistaken, as this is not always, but good. It is more probable that the property of conducting heat, depends upon some intrinsic Quality of the Body. There are conductors and non-conductors of heat, as well as of Electricity. Metals are good conductors of both. Wood conducts heat slowly. Thus the property of wooden borders to keep frequently exposed to the fire. We are not certain which is the best conductor of heat. water or Air; but it is probable water is, as it cools much sooner when immersed in it, than when exposed to the air. If there is any non-conductor of heat it is air, Heat may perhaps only be communicated by the heterogeneous particles in the Atmosphere. Here we have another Analogy. between Heat & Electricity



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that, feathers be one nonconductor of Electricity  
and they transmit heat very slowly hence the propriety  
using water cloaths in the Winter, hence also the utility  
in the practice of the Germans in this country in sleeping  
under a light Feather Bed, which saves a great expense  
and weight of Wood Cloaths - From these substances  
keeping us warm we are apt to think them warm in them-  
selves, but this is not the case as they will keep bodies cool.  
Thus, Ice is kept from melting in summer by wrapping it up  
in Hay, straw woolen cloaths &c, and Ice houses are  
generally lined with some rare spongy substances.

Light spongy Bodies confine the Heat & do not conduct it off  
easily. Thus we see the reason why snow contributes  
to make a soil fertile; for by confining the heat of the  
Earth it renders it moist & friable. Upon this acct it  
seems to be a wise provision of Nature in cold countries  
to preserve vegetation during the winter season.  
In Russia Siberia upon melting away of the Snow  
the ground is frequently found covered with Vardens,  
Were we not to call this to our assistance it would  
appear paradoxical that in Canada vegetation goes  
on faster than in Pennsylvania. For the Snows  
falling in August before the severe frosts preserve



8. preserve the Earth from being affected by the severe  
frosts; whereas here we have very severe frosts before the  
snow falls, which does not happen till January. The  
frequent rains here contribute to carry the frost into the  
Earth. The earth here is usually frozen  $3\frac{1}{2}$  feet deep, &  
the side of a mountain that had North west aspect, is  
never found frozen. Thus, the late cold winter.  
The depth of frost is never known in Canada. The  
as soon as the snow is melted away, the earth is so soft  
that the Indian begins to plough as soon as the  
moderately, which he cannot do here till the first snow  
of the ground. The economy of Nature is very beautiful  
and deserves our attention. Nature seems as provident  
of the animals as if the Earth were a country. She  
furnishes the crabs with a restorative substance or fur; the  
latter with a downy blanket of snow. When we speak  
of soft bodies being bad conductors of heat, we mean  
now solid bodies and not fluids. The colour of the  
bodies has a considerable influence in the communica-  
tion of heat. It has been supposed by some that  
reason why the hair grows white in old age, is to dissipate  
heat of the interior faculties, by preventing the heat from  
being carried off. We have also another Instance



of the animals in cold countries. Those which 21.  
in the warmer climates are covered with hair when  
taken to the cold regions lose their hair & wear a clothing  
of wool. Those also that are of a darker colour become  
white.

That there is always an irresistible tendency to fly  
upwards, this is exemplified by holding the hand  
near a hot iron, and in a clear sunshiny day, you  
may see it ascending. This does not take place in  
vacuo; as the heat there is equally diffused. Cold  
has a contrary tendency as may be seen in Ice, and  
other cold bodies cooling bodies below them more than  
those above. This must be owing to the colder air being  
condensed & descending. Hence also sailors perceive the change  
of temperature as they approach the land, from the air being  
cooled by the ice upon the land and falling down upon the  
sea. Valetudinarians who make a voyage for their health should  
be careful to keep themselves as much as possible from the  
open air: to increase their cloaths and use every other means  
of avoiding cold as they approach the Shore. From this we  
may see the following Phenomenon. We observe  
that if a piece of Ice be suspended in the open air in a cold  
night it will weigh considerably less in the morning.



One area of Ice will thus frequently lose a Drachm  
 and sometimes two in the course of a night. The reason  
 of this is, that, tho the air may be cold the ice is still more  
 The air therefore in contact with the ice from the surface  
 will impart its heat to it, and subside into its place will  
 be supplied by a fresh quantity, which is warmer. This  
 will induce the same change & the consequence will  
 be a diminution of the weight of the Ice from a part  
 being melted by the heat communicated from the air.  
 This reasoning seems confirmed by observing that if the  
 Ice instead of being suspended is laid upon the ground  
 no such diminution takes place, the colder air cannot  
 subside and leave room for warmer air to supply its place.  
 From this law you will also understand why heat is ap-  
 plied to the Bottom of Modes heats them sooner than  
 when applied to the Surface. From water transmitting  
 heat equally, it is employed to heat other bodies and  
 is called *Balnum maris* or *maris*. Water never rises  
 a heat greater than  $212^{\circ}$ . Hence Mr. Lewis recommends  
 mercury to be substituted in place of water which  
 receiving a greater degree of heat, will act as more  
 universal solvent. but I cannot think it would



would answer, as it is too dense and heavy, and in large  
 precipitates from the great Quantity required. From the evapora-  
 tion which takes place it would be very expensive.  
 From this transmission of heat large Bodies of water  
 preserve from nearly the same degree of heat in every  
 State of the Atmosphere. From this Circumstance some of  
 our deep Lakes are never frozen in the coldest winters, as  
 the warmer water from below arises, and supplies the place  
 of the cold water on the surface which being condensed sinks.  
 Hence land situated near large collections of water, is never so  
 cold in winter as other land in the same latitude which is  
 more remote. Thus the West of Great Britain which is  
 situated between the 50, & 60, Degree of North Latitude  
 is scarcely ever so great as in Pennsylvania as the former  
 is entirely surrounded with water. A Question naturally  
 arises here, why air is not in all places equally  
 affected. The extreme cold which reigns in the upper regions  
 is truly astonishing and it well affords some pleasure  
 to account for it.

All heat at least of the Atmosphere is derived from the sun  
 (space being only one heated by its rays, and transparent  
 Bodies are not affected at all. Thus a burning glass is not  
 affected by the rays of the sun it transmits. If the rays are



8. If one brought to a focus in the middle of a Bucket of water  
the water will not be at all heated, but if a piece of wood lay  
in that place it will be burnt to a coal internally, for the water  
will prevent it from burning externally. The rays of the  
sun then only warm the surface of the Earth, and the air  
receives its heat entirely from the earth by reflection. Hence  
the air nearest the earth is warmest. But as air when heated  
is rarefied, why does it not ascend, and warm that above?  
This is owing to it being compressed by the atmosphere above,  
which is supposed to extend fifty miles. Hence the air near  
the surface is densest & when most rarefied is still denser  
than that above, and therefore cannot ascend far -

The Difference in climate independent of the  
Latitude depends upon -

- 1<sup>st</sup> The Sun's greater or less perpendicularity to the Earth.
- 2<sup>d</sup> The vicinity of the Lakes or large Bodies of water, which  
send forth heat in winter & cool in Summer. Hence Isles  
are warmer in winter and cooler in Summer than continents  
in the same Latitude. This greater warmth our large collec-  
tions of water preserve them from the late frosts of the Spring  
when it has been destroyed in parts further remote. Thus the  
Ochones never or within a mile of the Delaware or within  
a mile of it are seldom known to fail. In the Spring 1779



The Fruit was generally destroyed in this & the neighbour-  
ing States except when growing near some water, on the  
banks of the Delaware in most places it was unhurt,  
but this preservation was more remarkable on the Jersey  
Shore on the Pennsylvania Side, which was owing to the  
account of being carried in greater quantity than every  
by the N. E. wind which generally prevailed —

3<sup>rd</sup> The difference of the Qualities of the Soil upon which the  
Peas grow. Thus a stony rocky soil is colder than a sandy  
one.

4<sup>th</sup> The contiguity of mountains which screen them from the  
winds in winter. Cool the air in summer, from the Snow & Snowy Mountains  
5<sup>th</sup> The Winds blowing from different Quarters of the Globe  
Thus the N. E. wind in this Country blowing over the frozen lakes  
& the immense tract of Continent covered with perpetual  
Snows is exceedingly cold.

6<sup>th</sup> The presence of Clouds obstructing the rays of the Sun  
There is another reason why Ireland ceteris paribus  
is colder in summer than Continents, from the strong  
Clouds arising from the evaporation of the adjoining  
Ocean continually hovering over them —

7<sup>th</sup> The Situation and state of Culture in the adjacent  
Countries The Climate of Italy has been much changed  
since the time of Augustus Horace in the 2<sup>d</sup> Ode of his 1<sup>st</sup>  
Book speaks of the horrors of winter as if he himself felt  
them.



26. <sup>them.</sup> Juvenal mentions a Custom which prevailed  
 among the Roman Youth of beating their sides into the  
 and afterwards plunging into the Tiber. Travellers  
 us, at present it is considered as an extraordinary circumstance  
 to see snow on the Ground after 10 O'clock in the morning  
 and the Tiber has not been frozen these many Years  
 "What can this Change be owing to?" It cannot be attributed  
 to the manner of Cultivation in Italy itself. The Soil of Italy is  
 much the same as it was two thousand Years ago, and more  
 many spots which are known. The time of Augustus to  
 the fruitfull Gardens are now covered over with woods, and  
 the same now in the same situation as formerly  
 It appears then to depend upon the Cultivation of the Soil  
 to the northward, of Italy only particularly of Germany  
 where in the time of Augustus was entirely uncultivated  
 This Effect Cultivation produces by absorbing the moisture  
 of the Earth & thus preventing evaporation which produces  
 cold, the diminution of water leaves an exact proportion  
 to the degree of Cultivation. Thus in Pennsylvania the  
 creeks and millponds have been much lessened  
 since Cultivation has been increased. Some Hills which  
 formerly went the whole Year over with six Inches  
 and others formerly valuable Estates have from this  
 Diminution been turned into Marshes.



It is incredible that a change of climate similar to that which Italy has undergone will take place in these middle States. A very surprising change has already happened. I recently witnessed by lecture that a carcass, found upon the Ice of the River Delaware from one State to the other and used for many weeks by carriages; What and an ox was roasted on the frozen River to which thousands were Spectators and some even took of its flesh.

We now proceed to speak more particularly of  
The Effects of Heat -

We shall speak of heat only as a simple quality and shall speak only of its effects on simple bodies. (Minimal fugable substances being compounds are decomposed by heat; and on this account not properly comprehended when we are treating of the general effects of heat.

Heat always produces one of the following effects;  
Expansion, Humidity, Vapor, Ignition. —

### 1 Of Expansion

All bodies are expansible by heat except one which shall be mentioned hereafter, we shall mention two or three facts which prove this

All matter may be comprehended under one of three  
three heads 1<sup>st</sup> Solid, 2<sup>d</sup> Indelastic, incompressible Fluids



### 3 Elastic and compressible Solids -

Experiments prove the expansibility of such of them - Solids are expanded by heat, as shown by an iron cylinder, when cold will pass through a bore or ring, that will not let it when hot. This may also be observed in bellows doors which will be difficult when the weather is hot, but after a few days or nights the bell will pass in with ease. The variation of clockwork watches depends upon the Metals of which they are composed, being expanded or contracted by heat or cold. That elastic incompressible fluids are expanded by heat is shown by blowing Spirit of wine into an bladder immersed in warm water. The spirit will rise somewhat and take up more space than when cold, it will return to its former space by removing it to a cooler temperature. That elastic compressible fluids are capable of expansion by heat is shown, by blowing, what is called a bladder with a small quantity of water in it, is placed by a fire, and suffered to continue thus for some time. The air will be so expanded so as entirely to fill it, and sometimes to burst it. Expansion and contraction are always the consequences of heat and cold. Iron, when immersed into water, is rendered much less, and if heated in a furnace it becomes much larger than before. Different bodies are differently



expanded by heat, what this depends on we 29.  
know not. In general we find the densest bodies, coldest  
tenuous, expand least. This, however, is not always the case  
for some metals expand more than Glass. An Instrument  
has been made for ascertaining the degrees of heat, ex-  
pansibility in different bodies, called a *Styrometer*.

By this a French Accidemiensis has constructed a Table  
of the different degrees of expansibility in different bodies.  
This may be useful to assist in making new machines.

Some Artists have availed themselves of their experiments  
where in making large brewing Tubs, casks &c. the  
Smith heats the iron hoops red hot before they are applied  
and in that condition puts them on the vessels. By this  
they assist more closely and compress the vessels more forcibly,  
than from any mechanical force that can be applied.

The same thing is practised in making the Mill Stones  
which are commonly called the French Mills. These are made  
of a number of small stones cemented together with Blasted  
of Bones. The hoop contracting on growing cold, renders  
the Stone more compact than they could be otherwise  
made. Water is almost the only Body in Nature which  
is an exception to our general rule and resists the contractile  
power of cold. This fluid rather increases than diminishes  
in Bulk when converted into ice In order to be assured



30. In the Truth of this Dutch Mr. Boyle put some water into a  
 tube three inches in Diameter and on it a weight of 70 lb  
 on then exposed it to an intense cold the water was soon  
 frozen, the ice was so enlarged that the weight placed  
 was raised considerably. In like manner Mr. Huggins  
 a German by filling it water and then exposing it to a  
 cold below the freezing point, producing this mighty effect  
 the expansion sevenfold on Water. Muschenbroeck  
 computes the resistance necessary to be equal to 2000 lb  
 and says the water increases  $\frac{1}{10}$  in Bulk. The French  
 academicians put some water into a tube of Brass  
 inch in Diameter, and exposed to a freezing mixture  
 at first the pressure was so strong that the tube had no effect  
 on it, but upon joining heat to it, it was burst with violence  
 by the expansive power of the ice. From hence we learn  
 why gentle rains succeeded by frost, so greatly subvert  
 Earth; for the moisture insinuates itself into the earth  
 being thus frozen by its expansive power, cracks like the  
 earth into small pieces; this mellow the ground and makes  
 it to be more easily penetrated by the roots of plants and  
 the winter air, the last of which not a little promotes  
 vegetation. Hence also we learn why pavements break  
 soon after a sudden thaw; why unconspicuous houses moulder  
 away gradually after a long and cold winter —



conducting Condens pipes are so frequently burst 31.  
after a cold winter. This is from their running too near the  
surface of the earth, so that the frost has crept to them &  
frozen the water in them. Philosophers have been suggested to  
account for this increase of bulk. Humeau thinks this  
Expansion in ice to be owing to the air contained in  
it, which he says may be seen in the form of Bubbles  
in the most solid lumps of Ice. But I would object to this  
1<sup>st</sup> That is the uniform effect of it to condense air and  
not to expand it. But waving this consideration,  
2<sup>d</sup> Humeau & Muschenbroeck after depriving water  
of its air, upon exposing it to cold found that it was  
still frozen and expanded as before, and with the same  
appearance of Bubbles. 3<sup>d</sup> Dr. Hales has put the matter  
out of dispute, for, having put a piece of ice under water he  
pierced little holes into them Bubbles and found that no air  
would exit quickly or with any force, which would have certainly  
been the case had there been any present, especially  
if in that Experiment which Humeau supposed it to be Humeau  
prepared an opinion of his own, and attributed it to the  
strong tendency which the particles of water have upon their  
conversion into ice to cut each other at angles of 60°. This  
seems to be seen 1<sup>st</sup> from the appearance of ice when rough  
and angular 2<sup>d</sup> from the resemblance to Snow, which is



37. (i) Vapor frozen in the air. This form of snow has by  
 some been attributed to saline effluvia. But this comes  
 the case as snow water has been found by Mr. Hargreaves  
 of Moulton to contain no salt but to be quite pure. (ii)  
 This is the case, it affords a strong presumption in favour of  
 truth of this hypothesis of Mr. Hargreaves. Water is not the  
 body that resists the contracting power of cold. Mr. Hargreaves  
 has found another description. He has found that natural water  
 particularly iron, exposed upon passing from a fluid to a solid  
 state form. This has been attributed by artists to a concretion  
 in the iron which cannot be the cause, as this concretion is  
 in other metals, which are not exposed to cold. This increase  
 bulk in iron appears to be owing to the particles touching  
 at angles and not uniting intimately. Hence cast iron  
 not so compact & durable as wrought iron. That is, iron  
 inelastic bodies willasting force. The following experiment  
 does not absolutely prove that water is not in compression.  
 The compressibility of water has been proved by a late writer  
 in the Philosophical Transactions, & Mr. Canton. Upon  
 taking of the pressure of the atmosphere by a pump the  
 water expanded sensibly and rose in the tube. Hence we  
 may conclude that water in its natural state is more  
 or less in a state of compression by the superior current



33.

( Atmosphere ) The great expansion of this fluid  
by heat is undeniably evident by the simple experiment  
of a blacksmith in an anvil and giving a man's  
stroke with his hammer. Bodies that are increased  
by heat & diminished by cold suffer no alteration in  
weight. Muschenbroeck says that when metals  
are melted they lose a few grains of their weight, which  
they recover when cold. But this small difference  
in weight appears to be owing to the air about the  
melted metal being displaced. Musch. also tells us  
that metals when calcined are heavier than when  
in a solid form. Thus 100 lb of lead after calcination  
will weigh 100. This as will be shown hereafter is owing  
to the absorption of pure or dephlogisticated air.  
We do not determine a definite or certain quantity of  
heat, nor do we know how far they may be expanded  
or contracted. Some Philosophers assert that outside the  
air by any means be related to its heat, it would become  
as heavy and solid as Gold.

Expansion leads us to speak

of Thermometers

Thermometers are very useful as experiments for  
Philosophy & Medicine. We shall chiefly observe <sup>the following</sup> their



Structure endued. The leaves best adapted for the construction of Thermometers are those that are most sensible to heat. Therefore Silver or Chrom. but they have a disadvantage they cannot bear a great degree of heat without being or even forcing. This is however in a great measure done by Sir Isaac Newton's calculation, which we shall see hereafter. The Fluids employed in making Thermometers are Air; Alcohol, Oil. & Mercury.

(It is very sensible to heat Gold and was first used in making Thermometers. Linnæus's attempt was rude and imperfect. Mr. Boyle improved upon him and carried it to some degree of perfection. From its great Sensibility to heat it could not answer very well in many cases, but its extensibility is so great, that it requires many long scales when employed. It is also considerably affected by the circumambient atmosphere with respect to moisture or the contrary. Sir Isaac Newton's method for genuine use, The Air Thermometer only fit for temporary experiments. Perhaps it may answer better than any other. Alcohol with Cinnamon has also been used. This is good too. It is very sensible of heat, expands readily and contracts easily, but it is inconvenient in one respect that it does not show great degree of heat as its boiling point is but that of water. It has one advantage that it will not turn to ice.



I expect all expressed will have been used for Marking Thermometers  
 they turn a great degree of heat without boiling or freezing.  
 But at a certain degree of cold they become useless by  
 growing very viscid. They also always seal the tube so as  
 to render it perfect. Mercury is generally used and is possessed  
 of more advantages than any other. It will not boil until  
 a great degree of heat is applied. Its expansion is not so great  
 as to require a long scale; but it is sufficiently great to  
 distinguish very small variations in the temperature of  
 the air. From these qualities it is best calculated for accu-  
 rately distinguishing the changes in the temperature of the  
 atmosphere.

We shall now make some observations on the construction  
 of Thermometers —

Mr Wilson of Glasgow is the most perfect artist in Europe  
 in the construction of Thermometers. From him we learn  
 that the accuracy of Thermometers depends on the following  
 particulars. The stem should be very straight. In proportion to  
 the size of the bulb with respect to the stem will the mercury rise.  
 The larger the bulb is in proportion to the stem the greater will  
 be the scale & the expansion the more evident, but its sensibility  
 to small degrees of heat less as appears from the third law  
 of the communication of heat. The glass of the bulb should  
 be as thin as possible. The bulb should not be quite spherical



36. but rather in the form of an oblate spheroid in order to increase the surface which renders it more sensible as appears also from the third law. No perfect definition upon the uniformity of the cylindrical tube. It is usually considered as a necessary step wholly to extract the air from the tube. Indeed that the air does not counteract the expansion of the mercury & that it is therefore unnecessary to extract it.

The bulb of the thermometer should not be too bright, by reflecting the heat the mercury would not rise as it otherwise would do. This was observed by Dr. Hutton son of the former Mr. Hutton. He one day saw a thermometer of his own hanging in his room, the bulb of which was very bright, & stood lower than the thermometer in the College. He suspected this to be owing to the brightness of the bulb, & accordingly on daubing it with ink he found that it rose equally with the

As to the graduation of thermometers, the scale is to be applied after the tube is filled. Certain standard points are upon which are generally the boiling and freezing of water. He is much indebted to Dr. Hutton for his experiments on this subject. He found that the point at which the mercury stood when water was freezing & boiling were constantly the same. The intermediate spaces



between these two points is divided into equal portions<sup>32</sup>  
called degrees. Fahrenheit's Thermometer, which is an improve-  
ment upon a Rentin, is at this day generally used in  
England, Holland & this Country. In different countries  
different Thermometers are used, as that of Reaumur in  
France &c.

In graduating Thermometers we should take the  
boiling point of water in a mean state of the atmosphere; i.e.  
when the mercury rises 29 $\frac{1}{2}$  inches in the barometer, as  
when the weight of the atmosphere is less water will boil  
with a less degree of heat than 212°. & vice versa.

By thermometers our ideas of heat are much enlarged.  
From these we learn that no bodies in nature are so cold  
but that they contain some heat, and may turn into water.  
We see, paradoxical it may seem snow may turn into  
cold by the addition of salt.

Heat is a positive & cold a negative principle. We are apt  
to imagine that fluidity is the natural state of water, but this  
is a vulgar error. There are many substances besides water  
which are fluid when hot, but become solid when cold. It is  
probable that Lead & tin would be constantly in a fluid  
state in the planet Mercury. Our language tends to keep  
up the vulgar error of cold being a positive principle



38. and indeed both heat and cold tend to excite similar ideas. To consider heat as a positive principle indeed to as a negative seems to be the best way as we know not when one terminates or the other begins. It is as apt to consider below the temperature at which water freezes as cold & above it hot, but water in the same temperature will excite the sensation of heat or cold according to the state of the body. Thus, you see that I consider heat as an absolute quality, & derived from the sun: and cold as a negative quality of power, to be allowed of expression and depending entirely on the distance of the sun. I shall not here take notice of the opinion of Seneca, Lucretius and others that cold is produced by a rent in the spirit, but shall show hereafter that it depends entirely upon the absence of heat.

There is one observation which should have been made above with regard to the placing of the room. They are generally placed in the shade & against walls. They are considerably affected by the materials of which the walls are made transmitting heat faster or slower the best method therefore would be to suspend them in the air from the ceiling.



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He shall now further consider the history of cold. The  
Philosophers who were sent by the King of Sweden to measure  
the degree of the earth at the polar circle suffered exceedingly  
from the cold. They were deprived of the sun for several months  
and were obliged to keep themselves constantly in a close room.  
Upon opening their door the moisture exhaled from their  
lungs as soon as it left their mouth was frozen and fell at their  
feet in form of snow. In inspiration they felt a disagreeable  
sensation of cold in the breast. Frost of snow froze here.  
The mercury fell to  $33^{\circ}$  below 0 i. e.  $63^{\circ}$  below the freezing point.  
In Siberia the natural cold is still greater. This may be  
owing to its great distance from the sea. Professor  
Linnæus tells us that the mercury fell to  $155^{\circ}$  below 0.  
Notwithstanding this great degree of cold the finest and  
richest plants flourish here. Dr Murray informs us that the  
Potatoe originally from Mexico, flourishes in Siberia.  
This will tend to enlarge our ideas of vegetation & may be of  
service when we come to treat of vegetable substances.

Dr Boerhaave was struck with surprise at a degree of  
cold  $32^{\circ}$  below 0. a more intense cold than this is produced  
by mixing snow and aqua fortis together. The mercury  
in the thermometer when placed in this fell  $42^{\circ}$  below



8 Below the freezing point i. e.  $40^{\circ}$  below 0. in Fahrenheit  
Dr. Linnæus & a more intense cold even than this was  
produced according to Mr. Braun's experiments. The  
as that the mercury on immersing the thermometer in  
mixture of snow & aqua fortis fell  $35.2^{\circ}$  below 0. on breaking  
the tube the mercury was found converted into a solid form.  
The natural temperature of the atmosphere was at the  
time  $40^{\circ}$  below 0. The spirit of wine thermometer at this  
time stood at  $180^{\circ}$  at this point the tube generally broke.  
The mercury fell several hundred degrees. These experiments  
do not seem by any means to be conclusive. 1. The tube  
generally broke and part of the mercury escaped. 2. If  
it was froze or was converted into a solid form it contracted  
suddenly & irregularly with a concave appearance on  
surface similar to what other metals have when  
they pass from a fluid to a solid form. 3. The mercury  
fell far below the degree at which the spirit of wine ther-  
mometer stood which was  $180^{\circ}$  below 0. at this point it  
contracted immediately and froze suddenly. It is probable  
that  $180^{\circ}$  below was the greatest degree of cold pro-  
duced in these experiments.

The thermometers point out to us the degrees of heat & cold



etc. 2 They teach us the distribution of heat from <sup>111</sup> one  
body to another. Thus, take a number of metals; let some  
be hot and others cold: place them all together. In a little  
time apply a thermometer and you will find it shows  
the same degree of heat in all which we distinguish by  
the name of an equilibrium of heat. Do all bodies  
contain an equal degree of heat? Dr. Prochaska & Rusher  
brock are of opinion that they do: That a cubic inch of  
all substances, such as metals, water, feathers, air &c. —  
contains an equal quantity; but a little reflection will  
convince us that this opinion is ill founded: for a cubic  
contains more heat than an equal quantity of wood  
though exposed to the same degree of heat. This equilibrium  
of heat is not to be known by any fixed principles, but is  
to be found only by experiment. A kind use of thermometers  
is to teach us the degrees of heat above the reach of thermom-  
eters themselves. In order to do this. to find the heat of air  
hot wire for instance, we throw a piece of iron into a certain  
quantity of water; from this we may easily find the heat  
contained in the iron. For, by observing the temperature of  
the water before the immersion of the iron, & then finding  
how much heat the water has gained, we may tell pretty



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12 pretty exactly how much heat the iron contains.  
So do this just compute the quantity of smaller contained  
the iron. Then find the quantity of water e.g. if the iron  
contains a cubic inch, find how many cubic inches  
the water contains, & afterwards multiply the quantity  
of heat which you find the water has gained, by the  
number of cubic inches it was found to contain, & this  
gives the heat of the iron. (What confirms the truth of this  
method is that it corresponds with the method used by Sir J.  
Newton for ascertaining the same thing. Thus the Philosopher  
after the heated substance becomes somewhat cold  
immerses the bulb of a thermometer in a cavity which  
is formed in it, & afterwards notes the degrees of heat it loses  
a given time. From this he calculated backwards, & thus  
found the degree of heat in the body when first taken from  
the fire. A<sup>th</sup> use of thermometers is to find the time  
which bodies take to heat & cool, & in what proportion  
they lose & receive heat. To this accurately it is necessary  
that the heating & cooling causes should be the same.  
Hence the body should be exposed to a current of air  
for when this is not the case the heated air is accumu-  
lated about the body, & thus it will not cool so fast.



as it otherwise would. We may now explain the <sup>43</sup>  
reason why still air appears hotter than air in motion.  
When the air is in a state of rest it receives heat from our  
bodies, & accumulates it around them; but when it is in  
motion, it carries the warm atmosphere from around  
us, & hence windy weather seems the coldest. But it is  
not colder, as you may be convinced by taking a pair of  
bellows & blowing against a thermometer, when the mercury  
in the tube will not sink in the least, on the contrary it  
will rise; for the heat generated by the friction of the  
wind against the bulb, is sufficient to cause this ascension.

We may also in the same manner explain why ice  
when blown upon, is melted sooner than in still air  
viz by the cool air around it which would otherwise  
remain there, being carried off its place constantly  
supplied by warmer air.

We come next to speak of the second general  
effect of heat viz. —

## 2. Of Fluidity —

Fluidity in all bodies is in consequence of the  
action of heat. Many reasons concur to establish this  
assertion



44.  
assertion. We find most many bodies naturally so be-  
come fluid by being exposed to heat; for the contrary  
thus that one naturally fluid become solid by cold.  
Spirit of wine & other do indeed remain fluid in any degree  
of cold which has been as yet produced, but I have read  
but they might be rendered solid, could we get them in  
sufficient quantity (Spirit. Mercury which was formerly  
thought to remain constantly fluid, has lately been  
rendered solid by cold. There are some substances  
nature, as certain earths and stones which have  
been made fluid by heat; tho' this is no argument  
their being absolutely infusible; for there may be a  
degree of heat than we are yet acquainted with. From  
experiments that have been made with lenses, it is  
probable, that a lens might be so constructed as to  
melt the hardest bodies in nature, especially if such  
substances were added to flux them. By a late account  
we are informed that the Bonseur Academicians have  
fused a diamond by a particular burning glass. The  
opinion of fluidity being always the effect of heat is  
by Muschenbroek who asserts that water is naturally  
essentially fluid. What is saying is wrong to certain  
extreme



extraneous matters existing in the air which he called 45  
liquefiable particles, & introduced into the water. He produces  
the following propositions in support of his opinion. I shall take  
notice of & refute them separately, —

1. That water remaining at rest, or when kept very quiet  
tho the temperature of the air is below the freezing point  
does not congeal till agitated; it then immediately freezes.  
He thinks by agitating or shaking the water that some  
foreign body is introduced & more intimately mixed  
with the water. This may be owing to the water being  
something warmer than the surrounding medium,  
then parting with its heat slowly. The agitation may  
occasion some evaporation & disengage the small  
quantity of superabundant heat. —

2. That frost will continue sometimes at  $36^{\circ}$  Reaumur  
of Fahrenheit's thermometer. This we cannot deny as it  
has been observed by Wolffius in Germany & Reaumur  
in France. This may have been owing to the long time  
Ice & snow require for receiving heat or melting; and it is  
probable the thermometer would have stood at  $32^{\circ}$  near  
the surface of the earth, & that the air above was somewhat  
warmed by the sun. The difference in the nature of the soils



46. soils on which they lie will also have a considerable effect. Thus when lying on a sandy soil, snow soon melts but when on a cold clayey soil will continue frozen days.

3. He desired to see a thermometer when the mercury stood

30° or two degrees below the freezing point. This was done during the day. It might be owing to a considerable frost preceding & in freezing, water parts with its heat as we shall see here. It might likewise be owing to the thermometer being placed against a wall, & that being a long time in communicating or receiving heat, which is generally the case; the snow or ice might lie on a warm sandy soil.

4. That there is frequently a hard frost on vegetables, straw & can. light bodies when no ice can be perceived on the ground. This is to be accounted for from the 2<sup>d</sup> law of the communication of heat viz. That the surfaces & bulks of bodies being given they lose or receive heat in proportion to the quality of their matter. The frost is discovered on the bodies only —

5. He often observed that in April many & some, after many warm days, & cold by ironing as that this could not be the water being robbed of its heat. This may be accounted for from evaporation producing cold. Such transitions



are very common, and warm days are very often  
succeeded by cold nights. 147

6. That frost are frequently observed in the southern, tho, never  
are now at the same time in the northern countries of  
Europe. This might be accounted for by the vicinity of these  
northern countries to the sea, or to their being surrounded  
by water; which tends to make a country warmer.  
7. That the quickness of freezing in stagnant water  
is not proportioned to the degree of cold. This depends upon  
the quicker or slower motion of the air. When the air is  
in motion, the warmer will be carried off, & the colder supply  
its place. Thus the water will be sooner & colder of its heat  
the quickness of freezing is in reality compounded of the degree  
of cold and the agitation of the surrounding air.

8. That a mixture of Salt and snow placed over the fire will  
freeze water placed over it, which Muschenbroeck thinks is  
owing to the frigorific particles passing from the mixture to  
the water. This is by no means a surprising circumstance. That to  
be succeeded by the mixture is so great as to freeze the water  
before the piece can extend its heat to it.

9. Aqua fortis, or nitrous acid when joined with ice produces cold  
when mixed with water; heat. It ought to have been

remembered



As remembered that ice vacuolar supposes very different quantities, I am concerned for the cold evolved in the former case, & the heat extracted in the latter; without bringing in the frigorific particles —

10. We spent time during the night see no hoar frost on the ground, but after the sun rises we discover it covered over with crusts of frost. This is undoubtedly true. Muschenbroeck in this case supposes that no frigorific particles exist in the air in the night time, but that they come in in the morning. This may be owing to rays of the sun occasioning evaporation, & that produces cold. The cold in the night may not be sufficient to water; but so near it that when evaporation takes place the cold produced will more than counterbalance the heat of the sun; consequently congelation will take place. We shall hereafter show the connection between evaporation and the generation of cold. —

11. For water Muschenbroeck observes is hard until boiled. Boiling he supposes dissipates the frigorific particles. But this is observed to be different by others. His hard water means such as will not easily digest soap or boil up again. He had supposed now once water is very transitory



and owing to its extreme coldness, for which reason it is<sup>119.</sup>  
as soft as rain water. —

12. He says that the inhabitants of the alps are afflicted with  
a disease called guttur humidum (quid guttur humidum  
mucatur in alpebus? sub.) which he attributes to their  
drinking snow water impregnated with these imaginary  
fugosic particles. This argument has no force at all, as all  
the persons who live in the alps and drink snow water are  
not afflicted in this manner; neither are the inhabitants  
of the Andes, who also use snow water as freely as they do  
upon the alps. —

13. That all bodies contract by cold except water, which is  
enlarged when it becomes ice. What can this be owing to  
except the contraction but to the accession of some fugosic  
particles? It however is not heavier than water. This he  
allows but says it is owing to the extreme minuteness &  
subtlety of these particles. He did not consider that regulus  
of Antimony Iron expands upon passing from a solid  
to a fluid<sup>to a fluid</sup> state. Can these cooling particles enter into these  
substances when they are red hot? No. It cannot therefore  
be owing to the absorption of fugosic particles  
that ice expands is owing as we before have assumed to a  
Crystallization taking place; consequently interstices must  
be left —



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Horn Turel in his commentaries on Procrustes  
cathartism admits this theory of frigorific particles. Horn  
in speaking of that kind of gangrene which arises from  
limbs being fast-fettered, he advises cataplasms of snow  
or ice which he imagines prove useful by extracting  
frigorific spicules: but this notion is, also, a cataplasma  
kind acts as a stimulus & produces a vigorous cure  
in the first fettered limb. Horn Turel calls into his  
apertures the analogy of a frozen apple. He supposes  
that cold water produces its effects in thawing a frozen  
apple by attracting the frigorific particles which he  
may be seen in the form of spicules on the surface of  
apple. But we account for it thus: The water in which  
the apple is immersed heats with its heat so it until the  
an equilibrium produced. The water more immediately  
in contact with the apple communicates its heat to  
more fully & quickly. It therefore is frozen & forms  
spicules which adhere to the apple. Thus these spicules  
not extracted from the apple but formed in the water  
warm water has not the same good effects upon the  
frozen fruit in it, for it imparts heat to them so rapidly  
that it destroys their texture —  
After what has been said we have reason to believe



51.  
that fluidity is the natural state of all bodies and that  
all substances can be turned into fluids by heat. we  
can apply a sufficient degree of heat. We therefore  
conclude that all solid bodies that we see are frozen. It  
has been commonly supposed, that the fluidity of water  
depends upon the spherical figure of its particles; but  
this is by no means the case: for all bodies there must  
consist of spherical particles as they all may be rendered  
fluid by heat.

This differs in its extension. Fluidity is that in  
the first there is a regular progressive increase of bulk according  
to the degree of heat applied; but in the 2<sup>d</sup> the transition is  
sudden. There are certain points which are called freezing or  
congelating points at which all bodies become solid.  
These are different in different bodies, but are very constant  
in the same body. There are also bodies that have an inter-  
mediate state between fluidity & solidity, as wax, resin &c.  
We shall here explain a few chemical terms. Those bodies  
which are solid in the common temperature of the  
atmosphere and are capable of becoming fluid by heat,  
and afterwards restored to their former state are said to be  
capable of fusion. Ice, salts, Venetian clay belong to this class.  
Those bodies that do not assume their former appearance



52. but become smooth and transparent after fusion, said to be vitrified, or to have undergone vitrification. To the class belong earthen, stones, Some metallicals. And when metals undergo this operation it is called scorification.

Fluidity depends upon the presence of heat in a latent state or quiescent state as well as in a sensible state. The curious property by which heat divests itself of its characteristic mark, that of being perceptible to the thermometer or the senses was first discovered by Dr. Black. He has shown that heat exists in two different states. He calls absolute or latent heat, the other sensible. To illustrate this he made the following simple but conclusive experiment. He took two wine-jars of the same size, & heated them. Into the one he put a pound of water & into the other a pound of ice. He found that the water received sensibly  $212^{\circ}$ , but the ice after melting had acquired only  $140^{\circ}$ . He then concluded that  $72^{\circ}$  must have been absorbed, & become latent in the passage of the ice from solid to a fluid state. The cold generated by the solution of ice in nitrous acid, owing to the conversion of sensible into latent heat, & heat arising from the mixture of nitric acid with water is occasioned by the conversion of latent into sensible heat. From hence we see the reason why the water



weather is generally minimal before a fall of snow. It must emit its formation heat with a quantity of its heat to the atmosphere. This, on the contrary, we see, that the coldness & decrease of the air attending a thaw, is owing to the absorption of heat, or the conversion of sensible into latent heat, upon the melting of the ice or snow.

All fluids contain a quantity of heat in a latent or quiescent state. The ocean abounds with it; & it is probable, that, by the conversion of this into sensible heat, the earth will be prepared to undergo the great change at the general conflagration. Hence we see the Philosophers avoid such a philosophy, when they assert that the action of the benignant globe will prevent the effects of fire. So far from this, it is probable that the ocean may contain more watery heat than the fire that is destined to wrap the earth in flames at the last day. To begin the aqueous scene is only necessary for the great creator to let go the chain which confines in the ocean its immeasurable quantity of latent heat.

As we have already considered the history of cold, and its effects upon several of the objects of Chemistry, we shall here extend these to snow, viz. animal bodies.

We have already spoken of measuring the degree of heat & cold. We shall now mention the methods of preventing the pernicious & mortel effects of cold —







The human body is so constructed as to receive an unusual sensation of cold when the mercury falls below  $62^{\circ}$  Fahrenheit thermometer. This uneasiness increases as the mercury descends, until it becomes painful. Animal bodies have a power of resisting the effects of heat or cold to a certain degree. Heat lessens and cold increases the action of the vessels generating heat in the system, & thus prove the means of obviating their own bad effects. But sometimes the degree of cold is so too powerful to be overcome by the efforts of nature. In such cases the person must call in the aid of art. And it will be pleasing to the philosopher to enquire how the means commonly employed for this purpose, produce their salutary effects; and when they are however we must endeavour to increase them.

The first method we shall recommend is the use of the cold bath. We need not adduce the Testimonies of the country as vouchers of the utility of this practice. All those who use the cold bath agree, that it renders the system less sensible of cold. Hence it used to fortify children, & by the vigor which it gives to the system, renders them less liable to the effects of cold.

2<sup>d</sup> Warm long garments of fur & wool. Thus we are apt to imagine we warm ourselves; but they are only so from transmitting heat less freely than linen, silk &c. Long garments were formerly much worn by



56 by the Romans & even now by the inhabitants of  
as being warmer in winter & cooler in summer. They  
overcome in winter by confining the perspiration  
greater quantity. When the perspiration is carried  
quickly the body is kept cool. Hence the difference in  
windy & calm weather. Hence the reason why diff-  
persons are so differently affected by the same state of  
atmosphere, by the perspiration being carried off  
quicker or slower.

The 3<sup>d</sup> method is commonly said to consist in avoid-  
ing heat & thus hardening the body. This is an universal  
prevailing opinion, from a supposition that heat  
increases the sensibility of the system; but history  
facts that show not with this appears in some  
is a vulgar error. The Germans who in gen-  
eral almost constantly in warm stove rooms. Heat  
which is from 86 to 90 degrees one the most robust  
& healthy people amongst us, & most able to resist the  
effects of cold. The West Indians live cold as well  
from the natives of this country. The heat of  
climate is seldom under 66°. In Siberia the Russians  
use a vapor bath twice a week. The heat of which  
afterwards plunge themselves into the snow. The  
heat of their stove rooms is generally 104°. Hyg. 119



will leave, work the out whole days without coming 5<sup>th</sup>.  
near as far. The customs of their climate may be judged  
from their earth being covered eight months in the year  
with snow, that the ground is frozen ten feet deep, and that  
the mercury in the thermometer seldom rises for  
many months above 0. From these facts it is not  
probable that heat produces insensibility to cold.

May not heat & cold produce reciprocal effects in the extremities  
of the nerves of the skin & assist each other in strengthening  
the system? It is however only a very great degree of heat,  
or a moderate degree long continued, which will have  
the effect of producing insensibility to cold. Hence  
the reason why we cannot bear the cold of our climate  
so well, because the heat of our summer is not intense  
enough, or does not continue for a sufficient length of time  
to fortify us against the change of the winter. Europeans  
bear the heat in the west Indies better than the natives.  
This sufficiently refutes an argument brought in favour of  
the slave trade or taking negroes to the west Indies.  
If a European escape for the first year he will do more work  
than several negroes. The country from which the negroes  
are taken that almost every necessary of life is spontane-  
ously produced. The inhabitants therefore live without labour.  
Labour in warm climates is not conducive to the health of man.



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It appears that he was not destined for it in the  
circumstances by the creator. Altho' it be granted that  
the natives of cold climates bear heat better than the  
frozen climates, yet it will not be so readily allowed  
that the reverse takes place. Thus it is the common opinion  
that New Guinea negroes will not bear the cold more  
as the natives; but my observations do not confirm  
this notion. The circumstances that govern it may  
be accounted for by that languor & depression of Spirits, at  
one the natural consequences of slavery, & their being  
ill clad. The 1<sup>st</sup> method is to keep the feet warm. The  
scold on her first set, in acc<sup>t</sup> of the numerous  
hottest of them. The Indians sit down sitting in conveni-  
ence sleeping in the open air if they have their  
fire. There are several ways of keeping the feet warm.  
by wearing loose coverings to them. For the purpose the  
or Indian shoes are very well calculated. In Carolina  
1759 the soldiers who wore the moccasins had much  
less frost bitten, whilst those who wore shoes. I have exp<sup>d</sup>  
to the same inclemencies, & weather, were afflicted with  
above mentioned members. But 2<sup>d</sup> if the feet are above  
cold so as not to admit of motion, as walking & running  
exercise, it then happens to more than one in company



company. The method used by a gentleman of the 59  
Delaware state may be used with advantage. He  
attempted to cross the Chesapeake Bay late in the evening;  
but was frozen up in the middle of it. The prospect was gloomy,  
and there was no appearance of relief. He found his feet  
growing exceedingly cold. To relieve this he pulled off his  
boots, rested his feet against the scow's stern's breast, after lying  
down in the boat, suffering the scowmen to do the same  
to him, and covered both with his great coat. After a while  
they fell asleep. He slept all night. The gentlemen awoke  
in the morning in a sweat. Found the ice sufficiently thin  
to lead his horse ashore. I have another fact. A gentleman  
was walking to town late at night. He was overtaken  
by a very heavy storm of snow, lost his way. He lay  
down at the foot of a tree expecting certain death. His dog  
came & lay down at his feet, as willing to share his fate.  
After some time he found his feet warmed & he awoke. In  
the morning he awoke covered with snow & pursued his journey  
to town in perfect health. 3<sup>rd</sup> telling of the feet in cold water  
or plunging them in snow; thus exposing them to a great  
degree of cold. The Indians break the ice & plunge their feet



60, to break down the human body to give  
I have heard that our celebrated countryman Dr. Frank  
makes practice of standing on a marble slab when  
to remove the coldness of the feet. Cold long continued acts  
as a sedative. A greater degree acts as a stimulus, and revives  
the vessels to action. In a certain degree cold is for a while  
mild. After awhile it acts as a sedative. A great  
degree will then act as a stimulant. We may as  
have observed that we cannot sleep with cold feet. It  
is an provision of nature to prevent us from sleeping  
the sleep of Death. If a person can go to sleep with cold  
feet he is not in health. As it is frequently so convenient  
to jump out of bed, it will be sufficient to throw your  
feet under the clothes.

The fifth method is wrapping up or rubbing the af-  
fected with ice or snow. This is a common practice  
in France, Russia, and other inhospitable parts of the  
northern parts of Europe. The action of this may  
be understood from what has been just now said.  
Sixthly. Suppose a person has rendered the utmost  
extremity of cold that has been torpid limbs; it is the  
common practice to use frictions of sweet oil or  
spirituous liquors.  
Liquor, if the patient is not in a state of



The former is in no case to be omitted; yet it will frequently fail, as the vessels on the surface are too torpid to be roused by it. Even if they are roused by it the internal parts will not perhaps be excited into action. Spirits are improper as they operate slowly. Iron compasses have no action at all, owing to the fact that they have been in of taking them frequently. A fact which I have met with may lead to some useful practice in these circumstances. I remember riding some distance near to be warmed by the cold as that he fell from his horse. After some time he awoke with violent vomiting & hunger. He recalled that just before his fall, he had a large quid of tobacco in his mouth, which he supposed he had swallowed; & to this circumstance he ever afterwards attributed the preservation of his existence in this world.

There are two facts which it may be proper to explain. Now & then by a damp day appears colder than a dry one, when the thermometer stands to the same degree of heat. The mist known as the sea acts as a conductor and carries off the heat of the body.



62. *Q. Why the sense of heat in summer is greater one  
damp day than the thermometer stands but at 80,  
in a dry day when the mercury stands at 85. or  
90? In the moist day the air being already sa-  
tiated with vapour will not carry off the superfluous  
so well as in a dry day*

*We shall next make some observations upon  
the means of preventing the disagreeable effects  
of heat upon the human body —*

*First, Great regard is to be paid to the situation  
of construction of houses. In this country the  
prevailing the South and East in summer but  
contrary in great part of the year. Most of our cold breezes  
in summer come from the South west or west*

*The cold breezes in this situation will be more  
effectually ensured to you if you have a narrow avenue  
leading to your house which will increase the  
velocity of the air. This is explained by a law  
in hydraulics, that lessening the channel  
increases the velocity —*



with regard to the materials of houses stone 63.  
seems to be the coolest. The walls must be very thick  
whatever they be composed of that the heat may not  
penetrate. Houses thus constructed are not only cool  
in summer but warm in winter. It is likewise of con-  
sequence to exclude the sun as much as possible not only  
by excluding the window shutters but also the easties.  
It is likewise of consequence to have a chimney in each  
room, by which means a constant circulation of air  
will be produced. From ten in the morning till five or six  
in the evening there is a current down the chimney.  
It is then stationary for about an hour or an hour & half,  
afterwards it changes upwards. From this current, though  
the chimney it is that the coolest part in the room is  
nearer that part. In the chimney the air is of an  
uniform temperature throughout. By 10 O'clock the sun  
acquires sufficient heat to rarify the air above. It there-  
fore rises into the chimney, & thus throws the air contained  
in the chimney down into the room. In the evening  
after 5 or 6 O'clock the air below being now rarified than  
the air above rushes up & thus forms a current up the  
chimney. Bed rooms particularly should have



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6th chimneys, as it is unsafe to leave the doors  
windows open, which we must do if they are within  
chimneys. Just go further and apart that is some  
necessity to have chimney seen in cellars. It is  
an then considerable advantage 1. To prevent  
diseases which will never grow mouldy under the  
circumstances in cellars. 2<sup>dy</sup> To prevent dampness  
sometimes from masonry. And then they prevent, for  
may produce putrid diseases. Another means of  
against the opprobria effects of heat at night is to lie on  
that are not soft. Hence mattresses are proper, which  
not include the perspiration. Hence are not so weak  
to the system. The second method is by an attention  
clothing. Every body knows that the cloths should  
thin in summer. Silk & cotton are preferable to linen.  
But to be to prove that linen is not so wholesome  
worn next the skin as woolen or cotton. especially  
the linen cannot be changed frequently. The  
lower the outer garments are the better hence gown  
are preferable to light broad coats.

Thirdly by keeping a due regard to diet. Annals



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animal food means that more than vegetable  
as being more stimulant. Altho writers suppose  
that all the heat of the body is derived from the food  
which is taken in. I suppose that animal food contains  
it in larger quantity than vegetable. It may be so.  
But independent of this, we may account for the heating  
effects of animal food from its stimulating property.  
Therefore in summer less animal food should be used than  
vegetable.

The fourth method is by paying a due attention  
to drinks. In this climate it is impossible manner  
to avoid drinking a great deal. The more ascendant  
drinks are the best, as beer, weak punch &c. All  
stimulating drinks are particularly to be avoided;  
as strong wines, spirits &c. There is not a more absurd  
opinion than that which prevails among the  
country people, that spirits fortify the body against  
the effects of heat. It is certain that a man who drinks  
vinegar and water, buttermilk & water with stored  
heat better than the man who drinks his pint or quart  
of spirit every day, for tho by its use he may be en-  
abled to make greater exertions for a time, yet



66. Yet this excitation is entirely convulsive & is soon  
succeeded by debility -

Tristly, tranquility of mind is absolutely necessary.  
Hence those who complain the least, suffer least from  
Persons of an irritable temperament of an unsophisticated  
unguarded temper, who fret & fume & are constantly  
running from place to place suffer much more  
from a solid & settled disposition & he will still say  
themselves to be cured by their perspirations.

But if a disease be already produced by heat  
that which we sometimes see in this city, in  
even to produce death, what is to be done? Many  
are frequently affected in this manner. At the battle  
of Monmouth several British soldiers were found dead  
who had not the least mark of a wound. Their deaths  
were certainly owing to the excess of heat. This disease  
comes on with a faintness, a difficulty of breathing  
, being softened with great heat. The feet are  
swollen & walk therefore is not desirous to sit down.  
He falls down; his breathing is extremely laborious  
his mouth punctured; his skin dry; He continues



half an hour & if not soon relieved the patient dies <sup>by</sup>  
He may be relieved by simple remedies. Cold water is  
the best application. This will succeed even when applied  
to the hands or the feet by plunging them in; or by throwing  
it in large quantities upon the face & if from any height  
so much the better. The colder the water, the better.  
Fuctions likewise should not be neglected. For these  
means many have been relieved, & they will succeed when  
applied to horses. Grooms or carters who use their  
horses with great inhumanity often pay for their cruelty  
by losing one or two in a season from the effects of heat.  
They often however recover them, especially within three  
or four years, by the application of cold water. I once saw the  
effects of this when a horse after falling down, from the  
influence of the heat, was recovered by throwing 20 or 30  
buckets of water upon him. I am not very certain that the  
very warm water acting as a stimulant might not  
have the same good effects as cold water. I only throw this out  
as a hint. I once heard of a gentleman, <sup>who</sup> in these circumstances  
was relieved by putting his feet in very warm water.



68. We now return to speak of the third general effect of heat viz.

### 3 Of Evaporation.

Vapour is a light transparent substance similar to air, more or of considerable elasticity & capable of rarefaction by heat, & condensation by cold. A striking instance of the power of vapour is that one drop if confined in a small glass vessel & exposed to the sun will burst it with violence after some time. From this it lies vapour is most extensively useful in the arts.

One instance will suffice to illustrate this. When in glass blow their spittle into it, which being converted into vapour expands & forms with their assistance with small exertion of their breath, the various glass vessels are used. From the effects of vapour the braziers are solicitous to keep water from their bras when in fusion. Vapour, like fluidity, depends upon <sup>quantity</sup> heat, as it returns to its natural state by abstracting the heat. The degree of heat necessary to produce vapour is greater than which is required for the production of fluidity. The



There is a difference in the vaporific point, some bodies <sup>69</sup>  
requiring more heat than others to convert them into vapor.  
Hence proceed the terms fixed & volatile. These terms are entirely  
relative, as no body has been found out so fixed as to resist  
the vaporific power of heat.

As the pressure of the air has great influence on evaporation  
and as it is carried on much more rapidly in a rare than  
in a dense atmosphere it is necessary to have recourse to the  
barometer when the pressure is always the same & accurately  
to determine the vaporific point of different bodies. See the  
materials and evaporates at 96. Spirit of wine evaporates  
and boils violently from the warmth of the hand. From a  
knowledge of the principles of evaporation we account  
for boiling. Some say that it is owing to water not containing  
more than a certain degree of heat; but this is not  
the case, as water when confined will contain more than  
212° of heat. This is the case in Boissier's digester where water  
may be made to boil as to melt lead &c. according to  
Muschembroek. Boissier's digester was first used by physicians  
to extract a rich soup from bones. This dish is now laid  
aside as it is not worth the trouble of preparing.



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2<sup>d</sup>. (This) is derived boiling from the expansion  
of air. But the air would be soon dissipated. Why then  
should boiling continue as long as a drop of steam remains?  
The true reason is that the liquid nearest in contact with  
the fire is raised or converted into vapour & then ascending  
erupts in the form of bubbles, which we see on the surface  
of the water. That water is not so hot after as just before  
boiling is owing to the evaporation which then takes place.  
The connection that subsists between evaporation &  
generation of cold.

The vapour point is so far from being the common  
terrier, that some have it below the point of fluidity: &  
in some substances assume the form of vapour, before  
they become fluid, even in the common temperature of  
atmosphere; such for instance are Ammonia, Potash  
salt, arsenic & Zinc.

We shall now explain a few chemical terms.  
Evaporation is when the volatile parts of a body rise  
leaving the fixed behind as in the making of bay salt.  
Distillation and Sublimation are the reverse  
the former. Thus air is distilled to preserve the volatile parts.



When the product is fluid it is called Distillation. 71.

When it appears in a solid form we call it Sublimation. Products which are so called Flowers or Sublimates according to their appearance.

Is heat capable of producing vapour in all bodies?

Earths seem to be the only bodies in nature which resist the evaporating power of heat. Even gold the purest of metals which Mr. Boyle kept in fusion for two months & remained incapable of evaporation. has been made to fume by the concentrated heat <sup>in this focus</sup> of a burning glass. We are unacquainted with the greatest degrees of heat that may take place. It is therefore sufficient that the resistance of the earths is owing to the insufficiency of the means employed; let us conclude that there are no bodies in nature that are proof against the evaporative power of fire —

The evaporation mentioned above which takes place in the common temperature of the atmosphere in some bodies as Camphor & Arsenic &c. is called spontaneous. The vapour produced by it possesses no elasticity & differs from that of water produced by heat. The greater the surface exposed the greater will be the evaporation. Thus, a wet sponge hung up in the air soon becomes



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2<sup>d</sup>. dry, by reason of the great extent of surface  
When the vapour is confined evaporation will take  
place only to a certain degree -

Vapour is always produced by heat, & when the  
abstracted it is again condensed. From this we see  
for the drops of water that are frequently observed  
ling down the sides of such vessels as contain cold  
as the vapour contained in the atmosphere is cooled  
on themselves by the coldness of the contained water.  
This is illustrated by the condensation which takes  
place when we breathe on a bottle of cold water.

This is also observed on the windows of lodgings  
on cold dry mornings. Hence also the frost  
is observed on houses & rocks in the midst of the  
for the wind that brings the thaw is generally loaded  
with vapour, which meeting with the cold houses  
& rocks is condensed. On the same principles we see  
for the production of dew, &c. The ground be-  
warmed during the day by the sun sends up a  
-tity of water in the form of vapour. This vapour  
is afterwards by the coldness of the air returns to the  
earth in refreshing dews.



The rising of misty fogs from low marshy places 73  
depends upon the same cause. The unwholesomeness of  
fogs is owing to their arising from putrid stagnant  
water. Hence we also see why vapour rises so copiously  
from a hole broken in the ice, from the heat of the water  
contained under it. Water in the same manner rising from  
nearer the ocean. So forms clouds which when condensed  
descend in the form of rain or in gentle showers: when  
congealed in the air in the form of hail & snow: and after  
serving the purposes for which it was designed is carried  
back into the ocean, its parent ocean.

Spontaneous Evaporation has been accounted  
for in different ways.

Mr. Dehorme & others say it arises from the air in the fluid  
being expelled by the heat & carrying with it some of the  
fluid in the form of bubbles. This argument is from water  
rising in the cistern, when the pressure of the atmosphere  
is taken off. But we know that the evaporation continues  
while the top of the fluid continues, & besides such bubbles  
could not be raised into the air.

General A. Muschenbroeck says that it only requires



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It a smaller degree of the boiling heat to bring  
evaporation. But this cannot be the case, for then the  
vapour would be elastic. But we know that steam  
vapour is perfectly inelastic. Some more probably  
that air acts as a solvent upon fluids, thereby causing  
them to evaporate. In many respects there is a great  
resemblance between solution & evaporation. First Solution  
is increased by heat. The same is the case with respect  
to evaporation. Thus boiling water will deposit a  
quantity of salt, which it cannot retain in solution  
when cold. In like manner, by the accession of heat  
vapour will be condensed & will recover its former  
2, Solution is increased by increasing the surface.  
The same takes place in evaporation. 3, Agitation  
quickens solution. There is also demand in evaporation  
which is much promoted by the agitation of the  
fluid. But evaporation can be carried on on an exhausted  
receiver quicker than out of it. The more surface  
the air is exhausted the sooner will the liquid  
Evaporation seems to be a diffusion of the  
particles



particles of water in air. It may weather appears to promote  
evaporation by dispersing the vapour collected over the  
water & thus giving opportunity for more to rise. Hence  
harrows that have been wet by preceding rains  
are dried much sooner in windy weather, than in  
a still state of the air.

It is now fully established that cold is always gen-  
erated by evaporation. The doctrine was first  
stated by Mr. Savery & confirmed by Mr.  
Pickman of Peterburgh. Dr. Cullen was the first  
who by many conclusive experiments fully as-  
certained the matter. Dr. Franklin has since enu-  
merated many practical observations. It is of dis-  
cussing some importance in Chemistry & medicine.  
I would advise you to peruse Dr. Cullen's essay on this  
subject in the Physical Literary Digest of Edinburgh  
Vol. 2. & Page 115. We shall illustrate this length of  
time by Dr. Cullen's own experiment. A thermometer  
dipped in spirit of wine & afterwards suspended in open  
air will cause the mercury to fall several degrees  
& it will continue so to do while the ball is wet with



26. When it begins to dry the mercury to return  
its former height evasuated as spring with produce  
more remarkable sinking of it. The sinking of  
liquor in the tube would be hastened by blowing  
it, or by moving the thermometer nimbly to & fro.  
The air. Dr. Cullen by the application of Spirit  
descended the mercury sink from  $44^{\circ}$  to below the  
freezing point. With other mixtures it sink from  
 $50^{\circ}$  to  $20^{\circ}$ ...

The cold produced by evaporation is of great  
importance in many places in the warm eastern countries  
-cially. Thus the inhabitants of Thence, China, Persia  
Egypt have cups composed of earthen porous substance  
of a gradual of what they contain to transude. The  
evaporation the contained liquor is effectually cooled.  
These cups they cover with a red cloth. Some of them  
Lamer. Mr. Rouelle had a cup of this kind which  
given him by a Syriacian who lived 20 years  
these people. Egypt which towns are supported by  
manufacture of these cups. Those who travel the  
deserts of Arabia suspend their liquors under the  
Cullen



litters of their horses, or other beasts of burthen 277  
in vessels constructed on purpose in order to preserve  
them cool from the evaporation which the motion  
of the animal occasions. This is an excellent con-  
trivance where springs & streams of water are scarce.  
The custom of cooling liquors by evaporation is not  
confined to the Eastern countries; but is practised in  
the several Summer parts of the W. Indies They cool  
their wine by wrapping a wet cloth round the bottle  
containing it & then exposing it to a current of air.

That the evaporation may be quickened by carrying off  
the vapour already formed -

The cold is proportioned to the evaporation which  
takes place & again this is carried on more rapidly  
in a ~~vacuum~~ than in a dense medium. It is consequently  
more remarkable in an air pump. Other vapours  
so quickly in vacuo that a tea cup full of it placed in  
a bowl of water will be converted into vapour & freeze  
the water in a few minutes on the coldest day. From this  
we may be enabled to understand a fact mentioned by  
by Dr. Huxham in his Natural History of the West



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90. That during the time the southern wind blows  
our extremely warm. The water that surrounds the sea  
is colder than at any other time. This must be owing  
the heat promoting evaporation, & wind carrying off  
vapour as fast as it is formed. Hence we may also  
learn why low marshy grounds are cooler than  
dry lands; why the cultivation of a country  
raising grain renders a country warmer  
moisture of the earth is absorbed by the plants and  
sent into their composition instead of instead  
evaporation; why it is dangerous to sit in a  
room. I more particularly if at the same time  
is a large fire in it, as this must increase  
evaporation; why sprinkling the floor with  
or water produces an agreeable coolness; the  
most weather especially if attended with cold  
production of febrile diseases. I more curious  
reason than either of these is, that, tho the  
the human body in all climates & in all  
is invariably between  $96^{\circ}$  &  $100^{\circ}$  yet the  
of many climates & how in hot lands enjoy



very good health, very considerably exceeds  $27^{\circ}$  of  
degrees. Dr. Smeathman of Charleston S. Carolina, tells us  
in the Philosophical Transactions, that he often saw  
the mercury stand at  $126^{\circ}$  and Dr. Smeathman in  
his practice of Physic informs us that in Syria the  
mercury frequently stood at  $145^{\circ}$  and that the inhabi-  
tants not only lived but enjoyed good health. The  
heat then must have been carried off by perspiration &  
sweat, as the discharge from the surface by these means  
is always proportioned to the degree of heat; & the cold  
produced by evaporation is always proportioned to the  
perspiration. Hence the natives in the most intense heats  
of summer suffer less when they sweat most profusely.

We are next to treat of the fourth general  
effect of heat viz

1<sup>st</sup> Ignition.

The effect of heat is more universal & is produced  
with more uniformity than the three others. It is the  
same at all times, in all bodies, in all places. All  
bodies that emit light & heat & appear luminous



80. on their surface are said to be ignited. All bodies  
when ignited contain equal degrees of heat. It is  
difficult to determine when ignition begins, as a  
body will appear ignited sooner to those who are near  
than to those persons whose organs of vision are  
therefore opinions on this subject will be different.  
Dr Martin supposes that red hot iron contains more  
heat than burning wood; but this is false. Iron  
may be removed hotter even after ignition. Accord-  
ing to Sir Isaac Newton whose calculations  
may be depended upon) is ignited at  $635^{\circ}$  he  
will admit of a still greater degree of heat to 1111.  
(Mercury takes upwards of  $600^{\circ}$  to make steel. &c.)  
The boiling point of mercury is nearly the same  
in which it is ignited. This confirms the truth of the  
observation as we know that the point at which all  
bodies ignite is nearly the same. Boerhaave  
asserts that metals will not become any hotter  
melting. This is wrong from a false analogy of  
But this is not the case. There is no body in  
nature but may be rendered red hot, or become igne



ignited if the vapour be confined or prevented from  
escaping. Even water may be ignited with a sufficient  
degree of heat if the vapour is confined. Water in a  
digestor may be made so hot as to melt lead & iron which  
is but a few degrees from the point at which iron ignites.  
The vapour of iron when immixed into acid  
but sulphur appears of a bluish colour which is owing  
to its being there ignited -

Having thus considered the General Effects  
of Heat before we enter upon those of Mixtures  
we shall say some thing of

## Inflammation.

Inflammation is confined to one class of bodies which  
are from thence called inflammables. The effects of heat on  
these bodies differ from those on other bodies in the  
following particulars.

1. Inflammable bodies suffer change or diminution  
of weight.
2. Inflammation is produced in some bodies  
from slight causes.
3. Bodies when inflamed emit light & heat during inflammation.
4. All bodies after inflammation leave some  
residue.



82. element which is inflammable. I do not  
see except spirit of wine which was called the  
Stellulum ignis by Boerhaave or Sulphur  
of wine the humidum aereum considered as  
of water will be collected. Sulphur may be collected  
a different form after burning in nearly as great  
a quantity as before inflammation.

3. The process of the necessary to produce & continue  
inflammation. It is to be carried on according to  
the density of the air; hence it is greatest in cold  
weather. (In sea-storm only to a certain degree)  
Simply fresh air is supplied inflammation is  
carried on. Some have supposed that air feeding  
to a certain degree only is owing to its becoming  
surcharged with vapours from the inflammable  
but there is not the cause. Heavy vapours rather serve  
to extinguish flame. For Dr. Keil has found  
the nitrous acid to produce flame when mixed with  
inflammable bodies supposed it to be owing to  
nitrous acid in the air. But no nitrous acid  
exists in the air, and it would be necessary  
there should be a vast quantity as some have  
cathartics



at the same time. It appears to be owing to a <sup>83</sup>  
combination of the Principle of Inflamability  
or Phlogiston with common or atmospheric air  
producing fixed, or phlogisticated air —  
Air then supports and feeds flames. The conical form  
irregular manner in which flames ascend is owing  
to the action of the air. It carries with it a substance  
which we call soot. This is a combination of  $\phi$  with  
a small quantity of some portion of the inflammable  
body & a small quantity of volatile salt. That is certain  
& is evident from its taking fire so readily. Soot is  
produced in largest quantity when the inflammation  
is most rapid —

The principle of inflammability is never destroyed, but  
always exists under some new form. Thus when in a  
lucifer I may be communicating to a body a little flame loss  
it from then containing it which have the least resem-  
blance. Thus by adding charcoal to the vitriolic acid  
sulphur will be formed, & the same thing takes place  
if we add any other substance containing  $\phi$ . This  
principle is called by Macquer & other Chemists



84. Chemists & Physicians. but I choose with Dr. Boerhaave  
to call it the principle of Inflammability. By the  
principle of Inflammability ( $\phi$ ) we mean that  
principle which produces flame or is the cause of infla-  
mmation when combined with other bodies; tho' not  
inflammable or capable of inflammation by itself  
in a separate state.

You have now seen the general effects of heat on  
the objects of Chemistry. We might here make some  
observations on its astonishing powers -

As the grand principle of activity in the  
the most solid bodies are expanded by heat. This expan-  
sion is so great that to it some philosophers have  
ascribed the swelling of the earth at the equator.  
Ancient quakers & all the melting of hail, rain &c.  
are produced by heat. The steam which so comfortably  
warms us in winter & is so useful in our kitchens & la-  
vies is occasioned by heat. It is the source of life in  
plants & animals. When heat is withdrawn, trees  
then lie dead & the beauties of vegetable nature fade.  
Upon the return of it they again revive forth.



in their original splendour. Animals also owe their  
existence to heat. Thus, bees, wasps &c. live in a  
torpid state during winter. But when they feel the re-  
generating beams of the sun are again called forth to life  
action. Not only recalls life when about to depart  
from its possessor; but also in some cases gives it the spring.  
Thus in the generation of eggs, where a heat of  $96^{\circ}$  is con-  
tinued for a period long the same as perfect animals  
produced. How wonderful are the operations of Heav'n!  
How wisely are they regulated by the succession of day & night  
winter & summer! It cannot here sufficiently admire the  
goodness of the great Creator in preserving the order of the  
universe! Should the laws of gravity be suspended  
He can't forget to revoke in his orbit, how terrible  
would be the consequences! Should the water  
himself but for a moment from the sun all nature  
would be locked in chains. Water that beauty of the  
summer would cease to flow. It would forget to rise in  
majestic & beautiful, to distill upon the earth in re-  
freshing showers. Plants would die & itself in  
animals



86. animals would soon be extinguished. In the  
the air and every other fluid would become a dense  
solid mass. On the other hand, the effects would be equally  
dangerous, were the earth to approach too near the sun.  
The air would lose its elastic force, rivers would overflow  
their banks; the heated earth would refuse to afford  
nourishment to plants and animals, Salt nations  
would regain its primitive chaos.

### Mixture.

The effects of mixture are more confined than those of heat  
but it is the second active principle in nature the first  
it is difficult to point out an operation in nature  
forward without discovering mixture.

By mixture we understand the union of dissimilar  
This is very various in nature & in appearances. Some  
bodies unite homogeneously; some but for a short time  
some produce heat; some cold; some unite with  
impulsiveness producing effervescence; some unite  
silently. Effects of this are what give an instance  
1. Salt water unite homogeneously & intimately  
2. The



2<sup>o</sup> Water & oil unite only for a short time: the  
water soon subsides & the oil floats on the top 3 Vitri-  
olic acid and water generate heat  $10^{\circ}$  or  $15^{\circ}$ . 4 Nitric  
acid & water produce cold;  $10^{\circ}$  or  $12^{\circ}$ . 5 Sp. Sal ammoniac.  
Many of the acids rush together with violence & impetu-  
osity. Some effluvescence takes place, & at last they undergo  
fermentation. This is owing to the extrication of fixed air.

Fermentation. Fermentation is distinguished from Efflu-  
vescence. The former is produced by the boiling of fluids;  
the latter is a gradual tendency towards an assimilation  
of different bodies with little noise & small separation  
of air. 6. Camphor & Spirit of wine unite slowly  
& intimately without any sensible motion. —

Mixture is divided into Chemical Mixture  
Solution and Diffusion.

## 1. Of Chemical Mixture.

Chemical mixture is a union of a menstruum  
and a substance as of Sp. Sal ammoniac. & vitriolic acid.

The following circumstances are necessary to constitute  
chemical mixture. 1. That the bodies after mixture  
superfession of the properties they had separately. *Leut.*



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10. but form a tertium quid. 2.<sup>o</sup> That there is a gen-  
eration of heat. This invariably accompanies. 3. Only two  
bodies can be united at one time. 4. Bodies which were  
before volatile become more fixed by mixture.  
These marks of Chemical mixture are not invariable  
but if taken together seldom fail of characterizing

### Of Solution.

Solution is when one body is so intimately united  
or dissolved in another that they appear homoge-  
neous. The body to be dissolved is called the Solute  
that which dissolves it. The Solvent or Menstruum.  
The last term arises from the notion of the ancient  
who in most cases attended a vessel for the solution  
imagining that it required that space of time for  
under the solution. In fact. Solution differs from  
Chemical mixture in the following particulars.

1 In Solution there is no change of property. Thus a  
sol of salt dissolved in water is salt still, tho it is reduced  
an infinite number of minute particles, & may be again  
be recovered into its former state. 2 It is not attended  
with a generation of heat, but always of cold e.g.  
Citra



Nitre dissolved in water produces cold.

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3. In solution more than two bodies can be united:

thus we may dissolve nitre in the same water in which common salt is held in solution. It will nevertheless

remain homogeneous. After a fluid has become saturated with one body we may add another which

will also be taken up. The fluid will be now enabled to suspend more of the first. Thus after water has dissolved

as much common salt as it is capable of containing,

in solution, we may dissolve in it a quantity of nitre &

it will then dissolve a fresh portion of common salt.

This appears to be owing to the introduction of a quantity of water in the nitre.

Solution has received various appellations according to the manner in which it is performed.

1. Maceration is when the virtue of the solunda is extracted by a heat below that of boiling water,

2. Infusion is when the fluid at the boiling point is poured on the Solunda & suffered to remain until it is cold.

3. Decoction is the continued heat of application of the boiling heat to the substance whose virtues we wish to extract



90. *1.* Digestion is when a fluid above or below  
the boiling point is continually supplied to the  
point selected; but it is more properly termed so when  
carried on in close vessels and above the boiling point.  
*2.* Circulation is, when the vapour that arises  
condensed, is returned again to the vessel in a liquid  
form, to act upon the body.

*3.* Deliquescence is, when a body is dissolved by  
exposure to the air, which we know contains a portion  
of water always in it, even in the hottest climates.  
*4.* Tincture per deliquium is prepared in this manner.  
*5.* Amalgamation is the dissolution of any  
in mercury.

In Solution the following circumstances influence  
the operation. *1.* Bodies dissolve quicker in proportion  
to their surfaces. Thus menth. may be dissolved quick  
in an acid, & pulverised Amal. by being beaten.  
*2.* Solution is quickened by agitation, by which a greater  
proportion of the menstruum is applied to the substance.  
Thus Spirit of Wine poured gently upon water will  
on the surface without any appearance of union.



union. But on state of the fluid will so 91  
intimately unite them together that they will remain  
so for many years.

3 Solution is quickened by heat, & more of the  
solid will be taken up. Thus water which dissolves 6  
parts weight of nitre when cold will dissolve a much  
greater quantity of it when heated. Now great the  
power of heat is in increasing solution may be und  
erstood from what is said formerly of Papin's Digester  
Solution is assisted by the contact of air. Air is so  
necessary to solution that some have imagined that all  
bodies owe their fluidity to its presence. If Copper & Fe.  
all communicate one kept excluded from the air they  
have no effect on each other, but the moment the air  
comes in contact with them they act on each other.

The action of air in solution is further evident in this  
that if any corrosive substance be kept in copper vessels  
they will be only affected when the two come in contact  
with the air, at the surface. If water saturated with nitre  
be put under an exhausted receiver the nitre will im  
mediately fall to the bottom.

Of Diffusion.



92. Diffusion is sometimes called mechanical  
to distinguish it from the true solution we have been  
speaking of. Diffusion is distinguished from solution  
1. In having a turbid appearance. 2. In not being per-  
manent 3. In depending entirely upon agitation. Thus  
iron united with water is said to be diffused in it. Try put the  
iron in a glass. The red particles of the blood are diffused in  
the serum. Scragulated lymph in an blood vessel, as  
proved by microscope. Spontaneous separation which  
takes place after blood letting. It is I guess impos-  
sible to be perfectly acquainted with these things, as nothing  
more the want of medical knowledge than an  
of them.

## Of Decomposition

Decomposition consists in the separation & disunion  
the constituent parts of bodies. It is performed by Pre-  
cipitation Crystallization and Evaporation.

## Of Precipitation.

Precipitation is when to a solution of a body in any  
struum another substance is added which has a greater  
attraction for either of the substances than the



have for each other, with which it will combine. The<sup>93</sup>  
first way will be separated. The body here added is called the  
Precipitant. There are four different ways of Precipitation.

1. Of the dissolved way alone. i.e. when the precipitant unites  
with the menstruum. The dissolved body falls to the bottom;  
with the solution of marble to the vitriolic acid or (added  
some alkaline salt, it will immediately unite with the  
acid, while the marble falls to the bottom in the form of  
powder. 2. Of the dissolved body & precipitant. i.e. when  
the precipitant is attracted more strongly by the solvent  
than by the menstruum. Together with it falls to the bottom.

Thus by adding to a solution of marble in the vitriolic  
acid a little vitriolic acid the marble



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Notes taken from a course of  
Lectures  
on the Practice of Physic  
delivered by Benjamin Rush M.D.  
Professor of Chemistry and Practice  
of Physic in the  
University of Pennsylvania  
November 1. 1790 —







That branch, which treats of the cause & cure of diseases, is called the Practice of Physic. I assume that state of the body, in which the functions are performed with difficulty, or irregularity. Diseases are varied in different countries, and in different ages.

Causes are divided into remote, predisposing, occasional; and proximate. To illustrate this, Cold or Contagion may be the remote cause of Pleurisy; Asthma a predisposing cause of Hemoptoe, while violent exercise may be the occasional. Spasm is the proximate cause of Pleurisy. The remote cause of Gout is intemperance; the predisposing one the hereditary disposition; the occasional may be either taking an extraordinary quantity of wine, or a strain in the ankle, & its proximate spasm.

A Symptom is, an apparent deviation from health & deviation to our senses; it must be apparent, or it cannot be a symptom.

Symptoms are divided into three sorts; 1<sup>st</sup> Symptomata mortis; 2<sup>d</sup> Symptomata causa mortis & 3<sup>d</sup> Symptomata Symptomatum. Thus in Pleurisy, for example, the pain, fever, & cough are the true Symptomata mortis; but if Cory or Angina attend, it does not belong to  
to



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to the Proximate, but the remote cause, and therefore  
 the Symptoma causae mortis, the difficulty of breathing  
 is a Symptoma Symptomatis. Diagnostic Signs  
 These symptoms, when taken collectively, constitute  
 the distinction of a disease, & are called Diagnostic  
 Prognostic is a declaration of the issue of a disease  
 taken from the state & degree of the symptoms.

In acute diseases, the Prognostic should always  
 be reserved & equivocal. It is always difficult in chronic  
 diseases. Physicians should speak with caution in  
 diseases; in chronic, with more certainty & boldness.

The Diagnostic in acute diseases is drawn  
 1<sup>st</sup> from the Pulse 2<sup>d</sup> the urine, 3<sup>d</sup> the sweats, 4<sup>th</sup> the  
 5<sup>th</sup> the countenance, & 6<sup>th</sup> the acutulus. In chronic  
 diseases they should be drawn from the animal  
 functions, and chiefly from the appetite. But all these  
 are difficult, even the pulse is not to be depended  
 on in all cases. There is not a symptom declared to be  
 by Hippocrates & Aetius from which I have not seen  
 patients recover; & few of those which are called  
 fatal.



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salutary, after the appearance of which I have not seen  
them die. And in chronic diseases the morbum com  
municat a Prognostic, the future. The friends of a patient will  
be anxious to know your opinion; the answer commonly  
made is, I have seen persons who, after being told much  
more recover, & some, who seemed not so ill, have died.  
(An old woman has sometimes slipped in & cured diseases,  
which Physicians have pronounced incurable, to the  
disgrace of Physic & its Professors. You then give of patients  
more, never pronounce him incurable, it is equal to pro  
mising the sentence of death on him. We should always  
endeavour to keep hope in view, however small that hope  
may be; for we do not know all the resources of nature,  
nor what pains she still may have. A patient after recover  
ing after the Physician has pronounced him incurable,  
ought to come under the cognizance of the Civil  
& Legislative, & the Physician declared incapacitated for  
his business, & excluded from practice. We should smooth  
the path of death by every means in our power; for it is  
natural to have an aversion to dying.

Diseases are either Idiopathic or Symptomatic.  
The Idiopathic are <sup>sub</sup>divided into Natural & Artificial.



6. The milder one chiefly Fevers. In September  
time, out of 100000 ~~at present~~ who died blood  
were affected with fevers; but not more than 1000  
of 100'000 one of Fevers, at present, as the bills of mor-  
tality testify. Fevers, Old age, Casualties from violence,  
wounds seemed to be the only outlets of life. Artificial  
diseases seem to be the offspring of Civilization,  
even the learned professions, & some mechanical im-  
provements, as well as Intemperance, are subject to the  
(Artificial diseases -

Indications of cure are founded on a knowledge  
of the Proximate Cause, especially thus in curing a  
The first thing to be done is to remove the Proximate Cause  
Remedies are the means employed for the removal of  
diseases.

What are the powers of Nature in the cure of disease  
by Nature fundamental in the present case, Physiological  
all performed by the same powers that govern the  
Electricity, or Magnetism. A ship, when thrown on  
her side, recovers her former situation by virtue of



her particular structure; but if the ship take fire  
is consumed, the fault certainly cannot be laid on the  
builder. In like manner the Author of Nature has  
employed, in our bodies certain powers, suited to obviate  
all the natural diseases; but when the body is attacked  
by the artificial, it resembles an Indian fighting against  
a man equipped with fire arms.

### History of the operations of Nature.

1. There are cases in which Nature is still successful,  
as in Fevers, for here she diminishes our appetites,  
increases our heat & evacuates. In Hemorrhages  
she forms a coagulum.

2. There are cases, in which nature is deficient  
in her operations, as in Putrid & venous Fevers.

3. Sometimes the power is overproportioned to the  
disease, as in Catarrhs & Phlegm.

4. Stillness, as in chronic Gout, Epilepsy, Cancer, Hemiplegia  
& Tetanus.

What does nature do in these cases? Nothing.

5. She does much less as in the Dropsy & Consumption



8. Consumption; the Mucus Pithera on the brain  
Vitius the Melancholic to solitaria. There are  
cases in which the seeds as from the roots of  
and in-conveniences, as shown in the Melancholic  
Chronic Inflammation, as discovered by Dr. Hall  
When the humor is not proportioned to the disease  
as in the Tetanus & Hydrocephalus. Lunatic  
as well pleased against the sequestration of his  
because he had sometimes lived in  
pretences to clear himself of their charges. But this is  
further confirmed by observing the rimaces, the  
if strict rules continued, to receive, assist, restrain  
and the operations. Some truths, like strong liquors  
require a strong head to digest them; of which  
is the least advanced.

Disputes are divided by different authors  
in different manners. The dogmatists, & the  
Wegel, & Linnaeus have been complicated by Dr. Hall  
From committing Cullen's definitions to memory  
as much advantage will be derived, as getting  
German rules in learning Latin, or getting some of the



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The first Dispositions of Febrile in learning the  
Mathematics. Let me advise you never to prescribe  
until you have investigated the disease, & fix it to its  
proper class, order, genus, & species. In all cases particu-  
larly Fevers the pulse is considered as a good Criterion  
by which we may judge. I shall offer some observations  
on the manner of affecting it. 1<sup>st</sup> The different positions  
of the body influence the pulse; it is fullest when stand-  
ing, slower when sitting, still slower when lying,  
slowest when lying on the back; a moderate meal  
heat of fire, walking &c. will quicken the pulse.  
Different positions of the body influence the  
pulse. The person should be in a prone position to feel  
the pulse to the greatest advantage. The way too  
method to sit down by the side of the patient to feel the pulse  
for our sensations are influenced by the positions of our bodies, for  
the same reason that a sick person is altered. If we feel the  
pulse standing, every subsequent time we should also stand,  
if sitting, then the next time we should feel it sitting. We  
cannot gratify two senses at once. I heard a French man say  
while at dinner to some person who was talking very loud,  
don't talk so loud & cannot taste my vicinals. There is some  
sense



10. now in this, for we wish to apply all our sensations, etc.  
on subject, all of them should be concentrated on it. Looking  
our eye is a good method of abstracting our attention from  
external objects, when we feel the pulse.

2<sup>d</sup> The pulse should be felt in both wrists, unless the patient  
lies on his back. It is a good way to run your hand over  
the arm & put it there, if convenient, & prevent all motion  
in his body & limbs, if possible. This will not be deemed  
ment, when we consider that our own reputation, & that  
of the patient, depend upon the greatest accuracy in the matter.  
The artery sometimes takes a preternatural course; that is, not  
of the common direction, it takes one between the back of the  
thumb & the fore finger across the wrist. —

3<sup>d</sup> Passions of the mind influence the pulse very considerably,  
chiefly with respect to its velocity, & not much, as to its location.  
Hence we should not approach to a patient too immediately  
for the first appearance of a Physician influences the passions  
of the patient's mind very considerably; he is anxious to know  
what is his disease, what his danger, how long he is to live, &c.  
He is influenced by the apprehension of bleeding. A man  
who had never been bled, was affected with Hemiplegia;



calling with a view of drawing some blood, her countenance  
became pale, she felt violently agitated, & scarcely a trace  
of a vein could be seen. The bleeding could not be per-  
formed, & she died of an Impostume in her Liver.

## PYREXIA. In Cullen's Syll-

Order I. *Febriles*. In considering of Fevers the  
first enquiry to be made is concerning the Proximate Cause.  
For this refer you to Dr. Cullen, who has divided the *Febr* into  
three stages *Cold*, the *Cold*, the *Hot*, & the *Sweating* -

*Spasm* & *Reaction* constitute the Proximate Cause  
of Fever. The *cold* & *spasm* are of a stimulating nature.  
When remarkable debility prevails, the Nervous or Putrid  
Fever called Typhus is the consequence; but when there  
is a great reaction, the Fever is of a very opposite nature, & is  
the *Inflammatory* or *Synocha*.

Fevers affect the arteries, nerves, & fluids, the arteries  
are stimulants, the nerves are sedatives, & the fluids are *lymphs* -  
In inflammation alone the arteries are affected. There  
are inflammations which affect the nervous system  
only; & there are those which affect the fluids & nerves  
both



1<sup>st</sup> As in Typhus, & then those which affect all three, as in the Synochus, of Cullen. Fevers will be continued when there with is great acuity, or obstinate spasm. There is no continued fever, in which one of these does not obtain. The intermediate degree constitutes the Intermittent Fever.

The Remote Causes of Fevers are chiefly Marsh, and Humoral Effluvia; these shall be enumerated hereafter.

Marsh Effluvia, however, the general production of Miasmata. Humoral Effluvia are called contagious, of which there are various kinds.

1<sup>st</sup> There are certain species of Contagions peculiar to the species.

2<sup>d</sup> There are Contagions that are peculiar to particular animals, and do not affect men, or other animals. Those which affect cows do not affect horses. Most of the diseases which affect brutes are of the Catarrhus kind. As for peculiar to horses, in this country, & commonly known is the Blind Staggers, supposed to be only an exaggeration of catarrh; for some men are affected with staggering.



and even comes in very violent ~~attacks~~ attacks of catarrh. 13.

It is peculiar to certain descriptions of men, the Negroes of the West Indies were exempted from the Yellow Fever that reigned there. In Virginia, an Epidemic appeared, which affected the Negroes only. This fact extends to the Indians and white people at Nantuckete & Martha's vineyard, where some Indians were

Epidemics sometimes make their appearance amongst them which did not affect the whites; & the white inhabitants were sometimes seized with Epidemics, & the Indians escaped.

As peculiar to certain ages of the human species, Catarrhs which affect children only; sometimes have the same effect on grown persons only. Then Epidemics which affect children only of particular ages, & some which affect all.

5. Miasmata are produced only by heat & moisture.

When ponds or rivers are perfectly full of water, no much of some exhalation can take place. There is no sickness during the overflowing of the river Nile in Egypt, nor will moisture produce Epidemics in the marshes in England in April & September, no diseases ever produced.



14 6<sup>th</sup> Marsh Miasmata exert their effects in consequence of cutting down trees, & damming up water. Clearing a country tends to make it sickly. Cultivating a country tends to make it ~~the~~ healthy. Hence in Pennsylvania intermittent fevers increase, & in some of the eastern states, there is scarce an intermittent but ~~some~~ <sup>some</sup>.

How are the effects of Miasmata to be destroyed?  
1<sup>st</sup> They are destroyed by fire, whether the contagious matter be little animalcula or not, is not well determined. Farmers should remove the trash of their fields to burn in September. Should choose a time when the wind is directly on the fire. Fires also within doors tend to prevent these miasmata from taking effect.

2<sup>nd</sup> By surrounding the house with trees, which imitate the atmosphere, but should not be planted too near the house or each other.

3<sup>rd</sup> Sulphur & Gun-powder both contribute to the destruction of miasmata by mixture to destroy the effects of miasmata =  
4<sup>th</sup> Vinegar by mixture conspires to correct the miasmata in the air. Doct. Priestly recommends pouring vitriolic acid on common salt, which the vitriolic acid decomposes & sets off



acidities off in vapours.

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5<sup>th</sup> Fresh air alone all is useful. Hence Epithemics are produced much less in summer, than in winter, because you can keep your doors & windows open, & have a free communication with the external air.

Fewers from contagion Amiasmata are less frequent than formerly. To what is this owing?  
1<sup>st</sup> To the increase of agriculture. 2<sup>d</sup> To the increase of domesticity. Hence a greater quantity of vegetables are used than formerly. Too great a proportion of animal food contributes to the production of Putrid Fevers. 3<sup>d</sup> More cleanliness regards being now paid to it than was not formerly, particularly in goals. (Mr. Howard says 1, that the Goal Fever has been never known in any part of the world, but in the British dominions, owing to more animal food being consumed there, than in any part of the world; 2<sup>d</sup> While washing the walls contributes very much to prevent the generation & production of the goal fever. Hence it is a query, whether hapudrooms be wholesome? 3<sup>d</sup> The use of sugar. Hippocrates tells that the Plague never appeared where there was much.



16 much sugar consumed. 4<sup>th</sup> Here come Smallpox  
both of which are antiseptic, & tend to prevent the  
against Putrid Fevers. 5<sup>th</sup> Here knowledge & care  
the methods of preserving meats. The satter the meat  
the more wholesome. Animals are now eaten  
more freely, & also more attention is paid to the  
manner of salting it. Salted meat is an antiseptic  
Food children in the country are not subject to the  
diseases that are prevalent in cities. This remark  
to the southward, that those who eat most salted  
are least subject to Fevers, especially if they take a  
quantity of vegetables with their meat.

While Epidemic Fevers have diminished  
Europe they have increased in Pennsylvania, &  
to the increase of still ponds & clearing more ground  
them is cultivated. The unequal quantity of  
them some years past has been a cause also of  
epidemic diseases. There are two enemies to m  
matters & contagion viz. Frost & sunny rains. Frost  
miasmata & contagion, cold & heat are removed  
of them they co-operate with other causes. Cold &



prevents the propagation of contagion. I Presume if  
he is warm, may go into a room without danger of con-  
tagion, but if he goes into it when cold, the cold debilitates  
him, & he is of consequence more liable to be affected. The  
causes of Annies are accidental, & owing to ignorance  
inattention, as the life of a soldier in itself is a very healthy  
one.

Prognosis. This leads us to speak of critical  
days. We must consider first the Intermittent Fever, it is the  
natural type of continued fevers. The critical days are  
the 3<sup>d</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup>. Here the tertian type ends. In  
the Quotidian type, there is greater debility, & now the days  
change to the Quotidian Period. 11<sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup>. In  
this same manner to describe these days, on which we  
give the most active & successful remedies. Hence  
Purges & Emetics ought to be given on these days.

Blank Levin ought to be given in greater quantity  
these days 11<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> day. If Blank grain half pint  
before the accession of the 1<sup>st</sup> of an Intermittent, will keep  
more service than if given the day before. Let Dr. Cullen  
be given for the sign of death or recovery, in the vital  
animal.



10 Animal, or natural functions of the body. The  
Prognosis is drawn; 1. from the aculeatus. There  
much to be learned from the posture of the patient.  
The nearer he lies to his natural position, the better.  
If he lies on his side ~~there~~, there is not so much to be  
if he has lain on his back for some time, & is found on  
side, we may pronounce him better. Lying on the  
is bad, with the mouth open is worse; with the eyes  
is still worse.

2. From the eye a great deal may be learned.  
The nearer it is to the natural state the better. An  
many flow of tears is bad; a glassy appearance is also  
bad sign. Thin glassy appearance is owing to the patient  
winking. These are bad but not always fatal signs. Fac  
vision is a bad sign; as also picking at the lid & chafing  
Sleeping with the eyes open, & turning up the whites  
them is a very alarming symptom.

3. From the countenance a great deal may be learned.  
It is a bad sign for a man to look suddenly old, facies  
: ca. It is a bad sign for one to resemble his ancestors in  
disease. Their resembling their ancestors arises from



that, that the leaves of families are much alike, then 19.  
In countenance & teeth, the shape of the leaves becomes  
more conspicuous.

4<sup>th</sup> The tongue affords a good mark to judge from.  
A white tongue is a sign of a fever; a dark one is a worse  
sign; a dry tongue still worse; & putrid dry tongue worst  
of all. The tongue may become dry from sleeping with the  
mouth open, hence you should always have this in your  
memory, when you examine the state of the tongue. This  
dryness generally begins on the middle of the tongue,  
and is an approaching crisis. The tongue grows moist  
first round the edges, which moisture gradually approaches  
the middle. It is of consequence to inspect the tongue.  
A circumstance with regard to the dark colour of the tongue  
is that it will continue many days after a crisis, especia-  
ly in bilious fevers. Some aliments have the property of  
imparting this colour to the tongue. —

5<sup>th</sup> Sweats. They seldom relieve, unless they are mi-  
nimal over the whole body. They seldom relieve unless  
they continue 24 hours. Morgagni mentions a particular  
case, in which, death, preceded by sweats, that were



20. more universal, & continues 24 & sometimes 36 hours  
succeeded.

Urine. This is so various in its consistency and  
color, and so easily altered by various circumstances  
Physicians should be cautious how they form their  
opinion. Turbid urine is supposed to indicate a crisis,  
urine more certainly, & lastly, the sediment is thought to  
most certain sign of it. Pale urine is supposed to  
indicate the presence of Typhus; red urine the Sym-  
ptomatic & febrile disorders. However little is to be  
learned from the urine, because there are many symptoms  
uniquely & certain.

21. The stools, have been divided to in-  
form a Prognosis but it is of little consequence to  
the facts, as you may get all the necessary information  
from the patient. Feces vere colerata indicate  
green stools indicate an acid, dark brown the pro-  
cesses of bile. Stools formed into lumps are  
signs of some irritation. A quick discharge, as soon  
as inflammation takes place in liver, is a sign of  
bile, & commonly a febrile symptom. Involuntary  
stools indicate great weakness in fevers also.



26. ms. A discharge of wind, accompanied with deorsus, is 2<sup>d</sup>.  
favourable sign. particularly after an involuntary discharge  
of feces. Diarrhoea is a favourable sign in fever.

3. ms. 9<sup>th</sup>. An abscess in any part of the body is a favourable  
sign.

4. ms. 10<sup>th</sup>. Shivering after lying up, suddenly break out &  
licking red is a favourable symptom, I suppose that radiation  
has taken place.

5. ms. 11<sup>th</sup>. The voice, the more it depends from the natural  
low the voice; when it is natural, depends upon it  
not much longer is to be apprehended. When patients  
speak with a croak it is favourable.

6. ms. 12<sup>th</sup>. Scream or Howling & Whining is a favourable symptom.  
It occurs in a violent cold again in the small pox.

7. ms. 13<sup>th</sup>. The pulse affords the best Prognosis, a strong pulse  
depends on the strength of the contraction of the heart, & still  
one on the large quantity of blood thrown out, a small  
one on a small quantity thrown into the arteries.  
Frequent pulse, on the frequent contractions of the heart  
as well as on the strength of them. The heart, soft, redoubled  
jacking pulse depends upon the motion of the arteries  
Also.



22. A quick one on the irritability of the uterus, when the  
is 140 times in a minute, it is thought a sign of death.

There is a peculiar restlessness, roundness & fullness of the  
thelae & areolae on a premonitory crisis, which old  
know as well as the hump on the back of a clock. It may  
be possible to graduate the pulse, make it its highest degree  
in the 10. When you have reduced it, a complete  
solution of the crasis will happen.

19. The Intellects intimate the state of the disease.  
The state of the temper is worth attention, even the Nurse  
will tell you that a patient is recovering, if he becomes  
irascible. The return of convulsions late in a fever  
a deadly symptom. The return of taste after it has  
been absent, is a favourable sign, such as for Coffee, the  
Snell for anise.

The return of an appetite for animal food,  
return of sleep afford an agreeable Prognosis. It  
is one of all these symptoms infallible, the  
is generally preceded by an abatement of the symptoms  
on the critical day. preceding that in which it is to be  
note. Some succeed away as it were, without



my crisis. Hinderburgh says that Epidemics often 23.  
terminate without any sensible evacuation. —

Indications of cure in Fevers are 1<sup>st</sup> to  
moderate the violence of reaction. 2<sup>d</sup> remove the cause  
of debility. 3<sup>d</sup> derivate the tendency to putrefaction. The  
first begins first with Inflammatory Fevers. This might  
have been said of Synocha, in which a Congestion does  
not take place. In Intermittents the first genus is the  
fever divided into those which have an Intermittion  
or Remission. Persons in southern climates are generally  
attacked with Intermittent Fevers. The longer the cold  
sit continues, the more certain you may expect an  
Intermittent. These fevers which make their appearance  
without a chill are generally continued; the circumstance  
by which you may know Intermittent Fevers, is putting  
of bile; but this bile is not the cause of the disease.  
If Interm comes ante meridiem, taking all these  
circumstances together, you will not be at a loss to distin-  
guish between them.

In treating an Intermittent two things are to  
be considered. 1<sup>st</sup> to conduct the Paroxysm 2<sup>d</sup>  
Paroxysm is a fit, the periodical or turn of



24 2. To prevent its recurrence. Paroxysms of inter-  
tents are accompanied with great pains in the  
joints of the extremities, back, & head. The patient  
cold chills are very disagreeable; even death  
on by Apoplexy, sometimes by vomiting, & some-  
times by the violence of the chills, which admit of  
no reaction. If then it is painful, there is probability  
of its being fatal, & of consequence to endeavour  
cure it as soon as possible.

Remedies are. Liquid Laudanum,  
alleviating the violence of a Paroxysm of the inter-  
D. Boerhaave in his diseases of St. Lucia recommends  
this practice. The Laudanum should be given in  
large or quantity as in a fit of the Cholera. If however  
it is safe to give wine, you may with propriety give  
Laudanum. In intermittent fevers wine is necessary  
for now there is no congestion. See sucking  
Peppermint tea, or hot punch, which last is to be  
well to service, in taking which, the patient  
should be in bed & kept warm. To prevent its



return, the Indications are 1. To strengthen the  
low of the system by riding just before the accession  
the fit, which often prevents its coming on the seldom  
cures it radically. 2. Cold Bath during the interim  
spice; it acts as a tonic, or by exciting horror. Amen.  
of her chimney on fire accidentally, just before a fit  
was expected, the horror, occasioned by this, cured him  
notwithstanding his disease had lasted all the winter  
unmedicated. 3. Hot drinks some sometimes prevent the  
return, taken one or two times before the accession.  
The country people place a patient before a fire, & make  
him drink hot today; 'tis an unsafeness, & ought  
never to be practiced. 4. Vomits. It is usually begun  
the cure by vomits, but the practice is carried too far.  
If the patient vomits during the cold fit, when  
the disease happens in the spring, emetics are unnecessary,  
say, but there are other cases in which vomiting may  
be improper. 5. 1. Antispasmodic, the use of it is taking  
on has some times occasioned convulsions. 6. Pregnant  
women are always given to taking vomits. 7. Lenses  
purge them to be preserved. 8. Patients subject to



26. to Musiloe, or Hornatensis ought not to  
take Emetics; in these cases lenient purges ought  
also to be substituted in their room. 4<sup>th</sup> Opium  
gr. ii. or a plentiful dose of Laudanum given two  
times before the accession of the fit, prevents it, &  
it acts as a stimulant only. 6<sup>th</sup> Stringents, have  
been used with advantage, in the different,  
of blue, white, & green; gr. i. of blue vitriol given  
or four times a day, sometimes cures an Intermission.

Zysticum has produced the same effect. These remedies  
only suspend the fit, but do not eradicate the cause.  
7<sup>th</sup> Bitters, Dugrood Siler Bark, Convolvulus,  
Chenopodium Minors, Gentian root have been given  
with success. The Columbo root has also been used  
with advantage too in this disease.

8<sup>th</sup> Aromatics, as a nutmeg roasted in an  
onion & eaten up with a pint of Rhenish, and given  
an hour or two before the coming on of the fit.  
These also at times are ineffectual. 9<sup>th</sup> A mixture  
of stringency or pithiness together as in the



Bank, which is the only remedy that is generally 27.  
infallible. Red Bank exceeds in power to its  
greater astringency.

10<sup>th</sup> Remedy prepared from a spider, viz. take a common  
spider, put him in a piece of bread which is to be toasted &  
made into a pite. The spider is poisonous & may act  
as a sedative when as a stimulant.

11<sup>th</sup> Remedy has also been used; but it is a dangerous  
remedy, I ought never to be tried, it recruits violently,  
disposes the heart to fall off from it however it.

With respect to the Venk's use, it should be given  
during the Intermission & as near the accession as  
possible  $\mathcal{Z}i$ .  $\mathcal{Z}i$ ss or  $\mathcal{Z}i$ ss given just before the accession  
will have more effect than  $\mathcal{Z}i$ ss at another time.

The best way is to give it in substance. In infusions  
you may give it in numerous continued fivers; in the  
convalescent state of fivers the tincture may be given.  
After the first fits are broken, a dozen or two of Bank should  
be given in a day for some time, & as relapses happen  
either the 8<sup>th</sup> or 15 day we should give more on  
those days than usual. Intermittents



20. Intermittents may be complicated with other diseases, as periodical pains in different parts of the body, or even when they are not periodical, or when they are of a continued form. These pains may be known to be intermittent by keeping our eye strictly on the season of the year, in which they occur; when these pains are periodical, give the bark, & when they are continued bleed &c. in order to bring it to a periodical type, & then administer the bark —

There are Intermittents which bark will not cure; Mr. Dr. Saunders says is owing to our use of an inferior kind of bark, but even the red bark will not cure them, & is even more injurious than the common.

In such cases bleeding is very necessary. It may be used in all those which continue after the cold weather has commenced. The blood is sixty, & it is necessary to bleed two or three times in succession. The other remedy when the bark fails is salivation which is often efficacious, which succeeds best when there is no Inflammatory Diathesis.



cases blisters are applied, with 29  
advantage before bleeding. In most cases when  
bleeding is of advantage a Local Congestion takes  
place; how shall we reconcile this with Dr. Cullen's  
theory of intermittents? By supposing there are two  
forms of Inflammatory Diathesis the one occurring  
from the liver & the other from the stomach, called Indirect  
Inflammatory Diathesis —

## Continued Fevers. *Continued Syn.*

*Synthesus ade.* It is most probable that no inflam-  
matory fever ever exists without *Local* affection;  
in those cases that appear to have least of this local  
affection, as for example a slight cough, or a pain in  
the right side, indicating some slight con-  
gestion in the liver. Inflammatory Diathesis  
have lessened in Europe, especially in London, owing  
to the attention to their management of living. In this  
country *Synthesus* or Inflammatory Fevers are very  
frequent — The Indications of cure are 1<sup>st</sup> to  
moderate



30. moderate the violence of Reaction, by moderating  
those impressions made on our bodies; increase  
heat must be avoided. The heat of the room must  
be diminished, in proportion as that of the body is in-  
creased. The temperature should be below 60°. The  
inoculation must be prevented by injunctions  
rest, & non-intermission of all kinds of exercise. The  
way to conquer a fever is to yield to it, while other  
diseases are overcome by resisting them with all  
might. There are few Incipient Fevers that are  
off by exercise, or drinking hot or warm medicinal  
drinks. Exercise of the mind must be avoided,  
Company should be excluded; all teasing, passion  
and work avoided. The conversation of company  
besides exercising the mind is hurtful by being  
improper subjects, such as talking of sick people  
the doctrs in the neighbourhood. The taking in  
Aliment must be avoided; nature however  
this by taking away all appetite. Particular  
irritations are to be avoided, as from thirst, which



which should be avoided by any drinks, that 31  
are not stimulant; water should be the basis of all  
the drinks that are not stimulant other substances  
are added to make them palatable, thus induce the  
patient to drink more freely. Herb teas are proper  
such as those made of bulm with a very little sugar, and  
sweet flag roots, Myrrh &c. Pisco, as kindly water  
of figs with a little lime juice added to them is  
very proper. When a Diarrhoea occurs, new water  
with loaf sugar is more useful. The summer fruits cut  
fine boiling water poured on them, after wards sweet  
and make most agreeable drinks. Peaches, straw-  
berries, cherries, apples &c are all proper. They may be used at  
all seasons of the year, as the dried are equally proper  
with those which are not dried. Crudities are to be  
removed from the stomach. Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Fevers  
 seldom begin from the sickly or bad stomach, but  
when it does occur a gentle emetic will be of service.  
Costiveness is a very frequent symptom of indigestion  
indigestion, fevers, hence it is of great consequence to  
evacuate the bowels as the feces are stimulant.



32 under source of Tension; Liment Surges should  
used as Salts, Castor oil, Manna, & laxative  
is a the use of mercury in Hepatic & other inflammations  
diseases, & then Surged the bowels with a pile calomel  
or two, with great advantage, it is a speedy, certain  
Splendid evacuation. The tendency to acrimony  
the fluids must be prevented by Diuretics, the  
employment of cathartic Laxatives as cold tea, the use of  
is evinced in the small pox & other eruptive fevers,  
attended with success. Cold may be used in all cases  
when there is not an affection of the Lungs —

Let us next consider the utility of refrigerants,  
Acids of all kinds are proper in this intention, but  
all are more in general use. Nitre has been  
employed more than the others; but when there is  
a tendency to bilious complaints, it will not be  
on the stomach. Metallic Salts are but little used.  
Another method is to diminish the Force & Tension  
of the Arterial system by Blood Letting —  
General Observation on Arterial Tension

J. Ferri



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Tension is of two kinds Arterial & Nervous, they  
influence each other, but sometimes do occur alone. The  
tension of the Arterial system depends upon many  
circumstances 1<sup>st</sup> On Original Stamina

2<sup>d</sup> On great bracing powers being applied, such  
as Cold & Exercise. 3<sup>d</sup> On the quantity of Aliment  
taken into the body 4<sup>th</sup> On the quality of the Aliment.

The more Animal food taken into the body, the more  
it is disposed to arterial tension. 5<sup>th</sup> On the state  
of the alimentary canal. This canal being filled with  
food increases arterial tension, but this acts more  
on the nervous system. Perhaps the influence of the

alimentary canal on the Arterial system depends  
on the quantity of food it contains, acting as a stim-  
ulant, & contributing to keep up arterial tension.

6<sup>th</sup> On the state of the Arteries, which is influenced by  
two circumstances; first by Pregnancy; secondly by  
Menstruation. - Women are always more disposed  
to Inflammatory diseases during Pregnancy,  
and also during Menstruation. during their  
courses



34. courses they are more liable to take cold. To bleed  
applied in the present disease is proper —  
First, in all ages, this is generally attended. It is  
proper in the old & in the young, as in the middle  
children of three months old have been bled three  
or four times in Scarlatina the blood being constant  
sixty. In some cases children of three weeks old have  
bled with advantage; secondly at all times when an infla-  
-tory Diathesis occurs, no situation of the system should  
it. Physicians have generally thought it improper to  
menstruation, but so far from this being an objection, you  
should bleed more copiously. Why? An accidental cold  
or from cold is to be altogether neglected. The disease  
to be treated as an Inflammatory one. Say this be-  
you will frequently find menstruation return, for when  
you will get greater credit, if they do not, you have nothing  
to apprehend. Many differ very much about the part  
which the blood is to be drawn. It should not be ever taken  
from a woman from the foot. — for —

1<sup>st</sup> It seldom flows plena uena. 2<sup>nd</sup> You are obliged



35.  
disturb the Patients by making them rise, therefore  
subject them to cold. If you bleed in winter, therefore cannot  
sustain the quantity of blood drawn. If you cannot  
recover the appearance of the blood. It is not safe on account  
of the tendons, which run there in great numbers. For  
these reasons prefer bleeding in the arm, in as full a vein  
as possible. For the more suddenly the tension is taken from  
the system the better. A Patient sometimes faints suddenly  
from opening an artery by a large incision, or from lapping  
his artery suddenly. From the sudden diminution of tension  
from the part from which Atonia is communicated  
to the whole system. In like manner by taking off the blood  
in as little time as possible, you do most service. Two lbs  
taken away in two hours, is not of as much service as 4 lbs  
taken away suddenly; because the Arteries, when the blood is  
drawn off slowly, have time to contract; you can also observe  
the appearance of the blood better, when drawn off quick.  
A recumbent posture of the body should be preferred. Hence  
it is a bad practice to force patients to rise from bed when  
they are to be bled. And if you can bleed them lying on



36. on these facts, it is to be preferred. For you prevent the  
muscles to act. 'Tis of consequence to inspect the blood, &  
it is influenced by various circumstances. Always view  
in a bowl. The nearer the Coagulable Lymph to the  
surface of a the more it floats in the  
serum, the greater is the Inflammatory Diathesis.  
Yellow serum is also a mark of inflammatory fever, the  
occurs also in the putrid. Hence two extremes meet in  
point. The employment of blood-letting requires that  
you will find many. Hence when you will be more  
about the propriety of bleeding. You will determine

1<sup>st</sup> By the nature of the prevailing Epidemic.  
2<sup>d</sup> By the nature of the remote cause, whether Contagious  
or Miasmatic. It is common to sortid bleeding, when the  
presumption is that the disease is brought on by Contagion.  
In summer this is a good rule, in winter it is by no  
means to be adhered to as the inflammatory diathesis  
at this season, is so powerful, as to overcome the Septic  
tendency of the Contagion. 3<sup>d</sup> The season & climate



which the disease occurs, is of consequence I ought to be  
attended to. The Climate in which a new constitution  
has been formed is still worth attending to. Londoners  
will not bear bleeding above once, because their fevers  
end so speedily to Typhus. But an American in London  
who is seized with a Mucous for instance I should according  
to the London method it will certainly end in Empyema.

1<sup>st</sup> The degree of Phlogistic Diathesis —

2<sup>nd</sup> The period of the Disease —

**Emetics** in fevers are used for two purposes;  
1<sup>st</sup> to discharge the contents of the stomach, & 2<sup>d</sup> As a Diaphoretic.  
There is a great sympathy between the stomach & skin over  
the whole body. The most common emetic in fevers is  
Antimony —

Of all the preparations of Antimony  
the best Emetic is the best.

To make Antimonial Wine.

℞ Tart. Emet.  $\text{gr}^{\text{ss}}$  Vin. Aitron.  $\text{℥} \text{ i}$ . This method  
of making Emetic Wine is the best, as it renders the  
wine certain. ℞ Pul. Ac. contorn.  $\text{℥} \text{ i}$  of Tart. Emet. The



30 The tension of the system is also to be taken down by  
exciting nausea by small doses of emetics. There  
are other methods used for this purpose, such as  
Blisters, or Antispasmodics & Evacuants, & in in-  
ferior cases as stimulents.

The manner the Blisters are applied to the joints  
by inflammation the latter I more contain their  
for here they act as Antispasmodics. There is a  
of sympathy occasioned by continuation of membranes,  
the irritation felt on the glans penis in affections of  
the bladder, & that felt in the fauces, when worms are  
in the stomach. In pure inflammatory fevers, <sup>these</sup> act as  
Antispasmodics, if there be no topical inflammation  
where this is the case, as in a Pleurisy, they may do good  
in evacuants also. In irritable habits, if too great  
tension is occasioned by their application they must be removed.  
It is common practice to let blisters lie 12 hours  
but the true rule is till the blisters rise, and keep you  
them as stimulents. Pieces of muslin laid under  
the first blister are said to prevent Strangury.



They do certainly prevent the flesh adhering to  
 blister, which is sometimes of consequence to prevent.  
 Ointment from lb. ii to lb. iii Benley uetox, will suffi-  
 ciently prevent the hemorrhage, if the patient begins to  
 sink it is as soon as the blister is applied. If this has  
 neglected, the hemorrhage has come on, it may sig-  
 nificantly be removed by admitting Benley uetox, but  
 sometimes a little Laudanum is necessary. Callosities  
 may be applied when we wish to draw & irritate  
 the blister, but should not be applied to Scalable habits  
 they should not be used when there is a septic tendency  
 because they quickly putrify, & may increase the comp-  
 laint, or at least they render the room very offensive.  
 The best application is an ointment prepared of wax &  
 oil; the skin should not be taken off, when wax & oil can  
 not be procured, a rag dipped in fresh butter, or melted mutton  
 fat will answer as well.

### Some further observations on bleeding -

1<sup>st</sup> The degree of Phlogistic Diathesis, the period of the disease  
 the manner of living, also the patient's habit of bleeding;  
 and the appearance of the blood drawn, should all be taken into



40. into consideration (2<sup>d</sup> Warm bathing should be  
used for letting off tension. This was a famous remedy in  
the ancients: but if any Septic tendency prevails, it  
will bring on, unexpectedly, great weakness. It is now  
our troublesome in most cases, notwithstanding Dr  
Galtrist's Treatise, it is unsuccessful & sometimes harmful.

See  
Typhus, mitior, gravior, and Seterodes,  
Yellow Fever of the West-Indies

These include all cases of Nervous Spurious  
that exist. Muxam's slow Nervous Fever is an accurate  
description of Typhus Mitior. See Cullen's Def<sup>n</sup>.

The cure of Typhus mitior consists in evacuating the  
of debility, and removing the causes of it. Effects of debility  
are evacuated; 1<sup>st</sup> by increasing the action of the heart  
by Tonics. Cold water is a powerful Tonic acts by its sensible  
qualities, & by the pure air you derive by exposing the  
body. I have no experience of the effects of cold as a tonic  
in this disease.

Tonics are either vegetable or saline. The vegetable  
Cortex Peru: which is the best Tonic; in the Typhus mitior



It may be given with safety at the 11<sup>th</sup> day. There is common 41.  
ly a little Inflammatory Diathesis in the nervous Liver  
which may render the exhibition of the bark improper, till  
it takes on the quantic Type. The Inflammatory Diathesis is  
the Criterion, for we sometimes give the bark before the  
11<sup>th</sup> day, & sometimes not till after. In the Septicus Gravior  
we may begin the use of it immediately after usual  
evacuations, & not only by the mouth, but by injection,  
also, baths, &omentations or Cataplasms, which are some  
times as large as to envelope the whole body. The stomach  
will often retain bark when nothing else will. remember it.  
2<sup>o</sup> Stimulents, as wine and Aromatics, all these  
appear to be useful. Volatile Salts, as stimulant may be  
given in both Milder & Gravior, from 5 to 10℥℥. It may be  
given if necessary at any time of the day. In all cases  
Inflammatory Diathesis Opium may be improper by  
its stimulus except in affections of the Lungs, where the  
irritation occasioned by the Opium is not so great, as  
that would be by coughing. Wine must be given in  
much greater quantities than is commonly the case. we  
must be governed by the degree of the disease & the state

12 State of the pulse. It can Antiseptic as well as a Stimulant.  
From one to four pints may be given in a day with  
safety. It is almost impossible to make a patient drunk  
under a nervous fever, by any quantity of wine  
you can give. Suppose the standard of health to be  
20, at which time a pint of wine will intoxicate,  
then it sinks to 10, it will take a quart, &c. on accor-  
ding to the degree of debility, & to people who have  
been in the habit of drinking wine, we double or triple  
the quantity. It may be given unmixed. Port wine  
is good, but Madeira is the best of all wines for  
two reasons; 1<sup>st</sup> because it possesses more Antiseptic  
virtues & 2<sup>d</sup> because it is not decomposed by the heat  
of the stomach. I can easily conceive that Madeira  
is thrown out unchanged by perspiration. At least  
of the feet, & Cataplasms composed of bread and milk  
with raw Garlic beaten up in it, stimulate gently & slightly  
inflame the parts. A Patient had two such poultices  
applied while he was delirious, & in the succeeding morning  
he was sensible & tasted garlic, tho he knew not that it



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of thing had been applied the night before a  
resp. of its entering the circulation. Flour of mustard  
is more speedy stimulant, but in Typhus mitior  
is less necessary. In Asphlexy Mustard is to be pre-  
ferred on acc. of its quicker stimulant. Air sickleons cut  
in half are sometimes applied to the feet, but this is a  
weak and sometimes a dangerous remedy. Symplics &  
mugwort are also used by the old women, but is not so  
effective as Garlic or mustard. The nervous fevers are  
sometimes complicated with the putrid, & sometimes  
sometimes with Inflammatory fevers. Now we must  
use our judgement and not be governed by names  
merely. In Typhus gravior, the intentions of cure are,  
to diminish the tendency of the fluids to putrefaction,  
this is done, by avoiding the application of putrid matters,  
by removing the patient from putrid air, when  
that cannot be done the air must be corrected by  
keeping the windows and doors open. Hence putrid  
fevers spread more in winter than in summer  
because the windows & doors cannot be kept open.  
Dennis

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The warm makes the best hospital in the summer  
especially the most exposed to the south. When a patient  
cannot be procured the patient should be carried out  
and placed under a tree. The air may <sup>be</sup> corrected  
by certain exhalations, as from branches of  
cut & thrown upon the floor. The willow tree exhales  
the greatest quantity of this pure air. Dr. Priestley  
obtained an acid, that could correct the pure air,  
by pouring Vitriolic Acid on common salt  
vinegar has the same effect when poured on a hill  
or stone. The accumulation of the patients own  
effluvia should be avoided by changing his  
sheet-cloaths & body-linen; his tongue should be clean  
as frequently as possible. Late excrementitious matters  
removed very carefully. While Doct<sup>r</sup> J. K. was  
Physician to General to the British Army, he was  
on board one of the transports, in the field he found  
many sick, among them he saw several who were  
in the appearance to be dead. The Doct<sup>r</sup> him to



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taken to shore, & landed immediately, he was  
accordingly thrown into the boat and four men rowed  
him to land. Scarcely the vessel, a fresh wind blew off the  
land directly into the men's faces; he promptly began to  
sneez. As soon they reached the shore, he was able to speak,  
instead of burying him, they placed him under a  
tree in the cool air; the consequence of which was, that in a  
very short time he recovered. This is a most remarkable  
instance of the efficacy of cool air. The stomach & intestines  
must be kept clean by vomits & purges. In the beginning  
of 19 out of 20, putrid diseases vomits will be necessary, and  
in the progress where there is a constant sickness at the  
stomach accompanied by a full pulse. When there  
is not much nausea, the bowels should be evacua-  
ted every ~~other~~ other day by lenient purges.  
Doct. R. Morro thinks that the bile is an excre-  
ta, if it is so, it is of the utmost consequence to disch-  
arge it especially in a putrid fever it is more acrid  
than at any other time. Keep your eye on this state  
of the Alimentary canal always steadily. In  
emetic

46 Emetic given just as the first symptom of a putrid  
fever appears, will always prevent it. In the progress  
of the disease it is always necessary to cleanse the  
alimentary canal, with violent purges. A sailor  
exchanged from a prison ship shortly after his  
dismissal was seized with a putrid fever; in a day  
or two the weakness had succeeded to a very great  
degree, more so than could be expected from the  
of the disease respecting Mabel was from putrid  
in the stomach I administered to him Tart. Emet.  
Kiss a young Gentleman with him to observe its  
operation, with orders, to vomit has having taken  
a vomit do give him a little liquid Laudanum  
the vomiting should be excessive. The next day  
when I called to see him I found him sitting up, by  
the front door. I quinn to prosper in every stage of  
a fever, when there is no inflammation, it must  
also be proper in a putrid fever after an Emetic, to  
allay the irritation. Antiseptics. Small  
wine Stills of all kinds, also porter, wine and



and look are still more necessary here than 47.  
in the typhus mitior. Doct. Lettsom has recommen-  
ded posolox; it is a tonic & antiseptic, cheaper than wine.  
than of the best quality but apt to be adulterated, from  
the bitterness it often stops vomiting. Bitters are Anti-  
spasmodic. Columbo Root has especially been used with  
success. Chamomile Tea is also very good. Fixed  
acridities had great respiration, but of no  
service besides being troublesome. The convalescent  
state of nervous & putrid fevers is often attended with  
great danger, therefore you are not to leave your  
patient immediately, but you must still consider him  
as a subject of medicine. For 1<sup>st</sup> They often relapse.  
In heavy air of snow weathers. Symptoms are swollen  
legs, anorexia, puking in the morning bright sweats,  
weakness, falling off of the hair, & turning grey.  
The mind is also much affected in the convalescent state,  
hence Amnesia or amnesia often follow this disease.  
The memory & indeed all the other faculties are  
injured by it. Dr. Ferri at his years of age was  
seized



40 seized with a putrid fever, before his illness, he could  
read but when he got well he knew not a letter. The  
voice is sometimes much affected in Putrid Fevers.  
To guard against them in conveniences, we must have  
in restorative Medicine & Diet. Of all restorative  
Aurum's Tincture of the heart, is the most excellent.  
table spoonful, in wine glass full may be given three  
or four times a day. Forster as a medicine, & as an article  
of diet is very proper. Oysters form a proper diet, are  
easy of digestion and afford much nutriment. They  
should be eaten raw, for in this state, they are most  
easily digested: there is as much difference between  
raw oyster & one that is boiled, or roasted, as between  
egg that is soft & one that is boiled hard. Another article  
of diet is chocolate, when the stomach rejects every thing  
else chocolate will be retained, it is probable that there  
some nutritive quality in the oil of the Cacao Nut. The  
vulgar say that it is honey & cannot be thrown up.

There have been great revolutions in the course of  
fevers within these 15 or 20 years past, for which we are  
chiefly indebted to Dr. Cullen. We have learnt from



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from him the great unisformities, purging,  
spum, wine, & leek, which are the hinges on which  
the cases of fevers turn. Formerly wine & leek & leek &  
infusion were only given: but now we give wine  
long with leek in substance, without waiting  
for any intermission, especially where there is any  
Septic Diathesis. The use of cold air & cool regimen  
another great improvement. It is, certainly not  
in hundred used to be formerly in all kinds of fevers,  
but now not one in an hundred, or even 300, in this  
city are, owing to their being generally treated in the  
manner recommended.

*Synochus*, see Cullen's Synopsis  
On this disease I have nothing to say. But its nomen-  
clature is, that it is a *Synocha*, & when it changes  
to *typhus*, it must be treated as such —

*Actia* is a Symptomatic disease;  
consequent on wounds, ulcers, venereal disease. &c.  
and appears to depend on debility, & is to be cured by tonic  
medicines, as the cold bath &c —

*Phlegmasia*, for the definition see Cullen.

Phlogosis. for the definition see Cullen.

Local inflammation of any part of the body is called Phlogosis or Phlegmon. There are two species viz. Phlogosis & Phlegmon. Phlogosis varies in its form. 1<sup>st</sup> Local. it tends to resolution, suppuration, & Gangrene. 2<sup>nd</sup> General. 3<sup>rd</sup> Our business is, in the first place to attempt resolution. 1<sup>st</sup> By bleeding where the inflammation is so considerable as to import suppuration of the part.

2<sup>nd</sup> Purgings, where the inflammation occurs in the upper parts of the patient, as in the head & throat & light, vegetable diet.

3<sup>rd</sup> Cold air & water, Lead water has been found to be good to mitigate topical inflammation. Emollient decoctions of bitter herbs, especially when the inflammation is on the limbs. Rinsing is frequently advised. If the patient brings about resolution, we must try to suppurate the inflammation.

4<sup>th</sup> Emollient poultices of bread & milk. Horse rad has been used. also figs & lily warts. 5<sup>th</sup> Plaster made of Honey & Gum.

The eye poultice is to be preferred. It is thus made, one part of honey, one part of oil, & as much bread as will make it into a consistence. 6<sup>th</sup> Spoonful of oil. This stimulates gently.

7<sup>th</sup> An excellent application to a swelled breast. Locusts.



al. Ammoniac dissolved in water is accounted a  
valuable application. Children are subject to infla-  
mmation in the neck for two causes. 1<sup>st</sup> from the  
ore throat; 2<sup>d</sup> from Teething, And Lye poultices are  
most powerful applications in these cases. Swelled  
breast is a most troublesome disorder, we should  
therefore endeavour to prevent it. In Holland such  
thing as a swelled breast is scarcely ever heard of.  
Amongst a woman lying, she should make it  
a practice to draw her breast with her finger, or wash them  
all a day with white oak bark. This prepares the  
excretory vessels to discharge the milk when the child  
is born: when this is neglected, afterwards the milk stagnates  
& produces irritation, inflammation & phlegmon. There  
is another cause viz. cold or fever settling in the breast.  
We must attempt to dissipate it by Sp. vin., gentle purges &  
drawing the nipple gently; by cold water; low diet, or cal-  
lage leaf & a solution of powder Sal ammoniac in water.  
If then still an inclination to suppurate takes place,  
we must then recur to the Emollient especially the  
Lye

52 *Eye poulter.* It is improper to open the venous  
won, it should be opened in the most dependent  
part, a large incision is necessary, a puncture  
will be sufficient often times. —

A sore nipple is a painful & distressing disorder. In  
case the lead water applications are of great service, a  
mixture with oil has frequently succeeded, after the common  
applications of Lead water have proved ineffectual. Women  
sometimes discharge blood instead of milk from their  
breasts. It arises from a great relaxation & disorder  
of the secretion. It is cured by bark, & wrapping the breasts  
afterwards tight in cloths or portwine. It is a rare disease.

*Paronychia* or Felon from bruise or cold.  
It is an inflammation of the pulvillus of the first or  
Joints of the fingers. When it first makes its appearance  
dipping the finger into boiling vinegar will prevent  
its progress, distilled vinegar will have the same effect.  
How this acts ~~will have the same effect~~ is not easy  
to determine. Another method of cure is cutting down  
the vein in a longitudinal direction. It has however  
been used without success, or neglected, the disease is



the demiguns, frequently tedious. If the leon is 53  
ious take it off.

**INFILTRAX**, appears on the back, it comes on with  
thing, spreads over the parts resembling an *Horus*  
comb, it is necessary to open their little pustules or  
vesicles, keep them clean. In almost all cases to give  
the leon.

**BURNS**. The lea-water is a proper & successful  
remedy, an ointment prepared of copper or white lead  
is most excellent application. If pustules are use-  
ful. The common remedy in this disease is scraped  
potatoes. Melasser has been used, but is irritating, the  
best application is a bread & milk poultice Dr. Hays  
recommends an ointment of lime. I suspect it is  
harmful & has been frequently used with disadvantage  
in the London Hospitals —

**Chilblains**, are frequently to be prevented from  
inflaming by cataplasms of snow & ice, or by cold  
water, the part affected must be rubbed; & if avoided.  
When inflamed, or when Gangrene comes on, we  
must use the remedies proper for such complaints. (D)

54. An artery should be opened by the knife or caustic  
The Ducts should be opened by caustic, & that for  
the purpose of destroying as much of the diseased  
part as possible

Gangrene occurs, make deep incisions, & re-  
sections, & apply stimulants, as turpentine; when  
the whole system is affected, Mark must be given in  
large quantities

## Ophthalmia in Cullen —

It is either Idiopathic or Symptomatic. Sore eyes  
are Epidemic, in consequence of their being a symptom  
of fever, so that the fever and the sore eyes is the epide-  
mic. which fever may be so slight as not to be de-  
tected. The cure of the Idiopathic, whether it is an Ophthalmia  
of the membrane or is generally the same.

It does not often extend the inflammatory diathesis to  
the whole system, tho this is sometimes the case. If  
this happens bleeding is necessary. If this Diathesis  
is not general, we must use topical bleedings by  
leeches, or as a substitute cupping the temples.  
Purges are of great consequence & should be given  
immediately



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immediately after bleeding. There is a kind of  
inflammation, that ends rather in Sphacelus  
or Gangrene, in which case the task is injurious  
to be cured by topical applications only. It is very  
frequently an attendant on the Scrophulous, venereal  
disease, Small Pox, Measles, in the first instance it is to be  
cured by task. Blisters are very serviceable few cases  
require a blister on the neck, one behind each ear in  
general is sufficient. Blisters have been applied to the  
limbs with the most happy effects, much care should  
be taken to prevent the skin from getting into the eyes.  
After the evacuation, Tonics of the metallic kind are  
preferable more so than lead water. A poultice may  
be applied to the eyes composed of bread soaked in lead  
water. Sometimes the pain resists all these remedies,  
in which case Opium in solution is used with the most  
happy effects. When this is applied without success we  
may make a poultice, as of Lead water. If this fails the  
warm Scurvy water will sometimes succeed, but there  
is a suspicion of its being improper upon account of  
its relaxing quality. Electricity drawing sparks of



56. of fire from them, has successfully carried off the inflammation. Hence the electric fluid is a powerful tonic & should be used after the evacuations mentioned. The light should be avoided on account of its great irritation. The best way to avoid it, is to confine the patient to a room entirely dark. This is Dr. Cullen's opinion to avoid irritation from fire. A very vivid fire will always increase. Sometimes even bring on Ophthalmia. Hickory wood by its vivid flame & great heat often bring it on. The changing this wood for oak in these cases is proper. In an inflammation of the palpebrae there is sometimes a dryness of the eye itself. It may be corrected by Lapis Carbonis finely levigated & mixed with fresh butter. Rubbing the eyes with this instrument when this disorder arises from heat & dryness is proper.

**Sphrenitis.** see Doctr. Cullen's & Syn.  
The idiopathic sphrenitis, is very common but the symptomatic is more so. For the cause consult Dr. Cullen's Practice of Physic. The cure whether



57.  
Isopathic or symptomatic is the same. The  
indications are 1<sup>st</sup> Bleeding very copious by; open-  
ing the temporal artery has been recommended;  
also the jugular vein perhaps XVI. & blood taken  
there would be of as much service XV. from the  
arm, but most patients would rather lose it from  
the latter, in a larger quantity. 2<sup>d</sup> Opening the  
bowels by clysters & purges 3<sup>d</sup> ~~Having the head &~~  
applying cold water or vinegar, the latter should  
be preferred on account of its sedative virtue. 4.  
Blisters applied to the head are of great service, they  
soon render a blister here 5<sup>th</sup> Ice is of great  
consequence: an erect posture should be recom-  
mended in this disease. Opium is certainly injurious.  
**Cynanche** or sore throat Dis<sup>se</sup> Varietas see Cullen.  
considers the common inflammatory sore throat. The  
tonsils sometimes ulcerate only and discharge but little,  
at other times they suppurate & discharge a great quan-  
tity. When the pulse is hard, an inflammatory diathesis,  
a small white spot on the tonsils, we are notwithstanding  
40.



50. To treat it as an inflammatory disease, especially if the  
Tonsil be much swelled. The tonsils do not always ulcerate  
or suppurate, the inflammation is sometimes resolved.  
The cure consists in purging, bleeding, blistering  
round the throat ~~where the patient~~ where the patient  
is in danger of suffocating. Applied here, they are of  
more service than behind the ear. Gargles of vinegar  
Sherry, or sage tea are useful. Sir John Pringle recom-  
mends the volatile liniment, where blisters are not used  
to be applied to the neck, this is an excellent applica-  
tion.

*Maligna*. Diff. in Cullen: On the subject  
see Thurn, Tethergill & Johnston. This species  
Synocha has been confounded with the Scarlatina  
more. Distinguishing mark, the much greater mortality  
of the *Maligna*. It generally attacks the young tho it is not  
peculiar to that age, some authors say it is the same disease  
only different in degree. But we might as well say that  
the Intermittent Fever & Typhus were the same disease  
because there are symptoms in common with both.



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This disease in the Spring Winter in moist & warm weather attacks women & children. & black eyed children. often more than others. for black eyed people possess more sensibility. It is attended with watery eyes, a flat and crawling voice, & other symptoms of the typhus Gracior. CURE. Emetics, Turbith Mineral was given when the disease prevailed in this city, with the greatest advantage, not a patient died who took a vomit fit in the beginning of the disease. For 1<sup>st</sup> it operates quickly. 2<sup>d</sup> copiously. 3<sup>d</sup> it stimulates the system, generally, so as to excite a more copious discharge. Probably acts by giving a little tone.

Doct<sup>r</sup> Ogden of Long Island first gave Calomel combined with Opium, in this disease. Immediately after emetics we are to have recourse to bark & aker root & red wine. Detergent gargles were used with advantage made of rose water, honey & muciac acid. Truncipations of myrrh & singar were used into the throat as often as the patient could bear them and found serviceable.

Tracheitis. De Feu Cullen. Has without synocha  
The

60. The particular venting cough is a pathognomonic sign  
of the presence of the disease all the other symptoms occur  
in many others Dr. Boerhaave first called it the Croup.  
Dr. Michael calls it Angina Polyporea, but  
this includes but one species, thence it is an improper  
name. Doct. Monro calls it Suffocatio Stridula  
In the state of Corymbenesis it is called the hoars. The  
name is taken from the word hoars, because in the  
complaint the breast hoars. There have been disputes  
about the Genual place of this disease. Cullen places  
it among the Pleurocaric, & Monro among Epistemic.  
It may be inflammatory, & may depend upon suppurative  
excretions; it may be spasmodic. That particular cough  
called by Cullen Tussis Glanosa often happens in the late  
stage of the small pox, but is then only a symptom  
in the Scarlatina Anginosa. Another dispute is about  
it being owing to spasm or an Effusion of mucus in the  
form of a membrane different opinions have been enter-  
tained. Dr. Michael thought it always depended on effusion.  
Dr. Monro was of the same opinion. But from  
the



the symptoms, from the method of cure, and lastly<sup>61</sup>  
from dissection, there is not a doubt of there being two  
species, or varieties *Viz* Spasmodic, Humoral or Catarrhal.  
The spasmodic is known first by its coming on sudd-  
enly, especially after the first sleep at night. Children  
sometimes go to bed well at night, and in an hour after,  
wake with this disorder. 2. it goes off suddenly. This cannot  
be accounted for but by supposing spasm. 3. by its yielding  
to antispasmodics particularly warm bathing. 4. its  
coming on periodically. Sometimes comes on in the  
evening, & disappears the following morning. It returns  
again at the same time, next evening.

The Humoral is known. 1<sup>st</sup> by its coming on gra-  
dually. Two or three days indisposition commonly  
precedes its attack, & the Patients will tell you they think it a com-  
mon cold only. 2. Its going off gradually. 3. its contin-  
uing with uniformity, and without any intermission of  
the symptoms. 4. its not yielding to the same remedies  
as the Spasmodic, particularly warm bathing. The spasmodic  
is.

(1. is cured, 1<sup>st</sup> by bleeding if the child is plethoric, or  
the disease attacks it in the time of inflam<sup>y</sup> diseases

(2<sup>d</sup> Emetics which are powerful Antispasmodics.

3<sup>d</sup> Antispasmodics as warm bathing, gentle  
and liquid laudermum, blisters as Antispasmodics.

Lastly by stimulating cataplasms of gentle to the per-  
one there is great danger mustard seed -

The Humoral is treated differently. Emetics sh<sup>d</sup>  
begin the cure; if inflammation is suspected, which  
is known by the hardness & fullness of the pulse bleeding  
may be necessary: but our principal dependence  
is on Calomel in large doses; from ʒss to ʒjss may  
be given in a day while the disease continues. If  
it purge too much, restrain it by laudermum, but a  
moderate diarrhoea is of advantage. Calomel acts  
by stimulating the glands of the bowels & the viscera  
promoting a more plentiful secretion & excretion of  
all the humors; and of consequence checks the effusion  
into the trachea. See Rushes & Graves. Blisters act in  
the same way viz. by their irritating & evacuating qualities



This is said to be a disease of children only. I have 63  
known more than one case of it in adults. It is  
the Ceynometra trachealis, that the hoarseness  
and cough continue after the danger of the dis-  
ease is over; but the loss of that venting voice  
the loss of danger is to be ascertained. Since I have  
adopted this principle I have lost but one patient  
the hives, which is now 15 years ago. I then  
used the humoralis, to which I was not called till  
the third day. Sweating was used formerly used with  
the success which was brought on by turnigations  
Surgere

*Pharyngea* agrees in many respects with  
the *Tonsillaris*, but the difficulty of breathing is more  
remarkable. In listers are very useful in this species of synon.

*Sarcotidea*, or the Humps. This disease is  
apt to fall into the testicles in men, and into the breasts  
in women after a crisis has taken place. To chil-  
dren the swelling is apt to suppurate. It comes  
very

64 very troublesome. The cure consists in leeches  
punges and discutient Applications.

## *Pneumonia. Diff<sup>re</sup> Cullen.*

The pain is very often in the back, and sometimes  
extends as low down as the Kinary, as well as the  
side & breast and even sometimes as high as the

## *Scrispneumonia. in the first spec<sup>ie</sup> see Cullen.*

This evidently includes *Scrispneumonia Notha*, which

*Sydenham* & *Huxham* have described. The pulse  
is slower full & soft than hard, if the patient happens  
to be seized with this disease, standing, sitting, lying  
upon the back or side, he generally is obliged to  
keep that posture during the whole disease.

There is often inflammation connected with  
this disease, but there is a suspicion that is dependent  
sometimes on an effusion of blood into the lungs  
occasioned perhaps by irritation. The Gout  
settling on the lungs sometimes produces this



consumption. Hence it may be called a kind of 63.  
phlegm in the lungs & effusion. You must not be  
depressed upon by the pulse, if it is full and hard you  
will proceed with the more confidence, but if it is small  
and weak do not fear to bleed. A Negro Man in the  
Dollery House was seized with a Pneumonia. &  
appeared to be nearly dying. His pulse was small &  
weak. He bled him with the most marked success. He went  
abroad the next day. This species does not go off with  
expectoration. Expecting seems to procure a complicated  
tion of the disease. This disease is Idiopathic Symptom  
atic. When a consumptive patient goes off before the na-  
tural time of the disease, we suspect this disease to have  
taken place, & to have been the cause of his unexpected death.

Pleuritis is the second species see Cullen's Synopsis.  
The spilling tinged with blood is by no means an un-  
common symptom in this disease. It is Idiopathic  
or symptomatic. In the fall of the year Spontaneous in  
the southern climates we find a pleuritis biliosa described  
by Thurnam, which is a very dangerous disease. Gen?

66. Gen. Lee died of it on the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> day. More  
people die of Pleurisy in Maryland & Virginia  
than in Pennsylvania owing to its being accompanied  
with a bilious fever. Fluxion describes a pleurisy accom-  
panied with putrid symptoms. The blood is thin & discolored.  
In this case the fever arose from contagion & the Pleurisy  
was only Symptomatic. It must be treated as a Typhus  
with Snake root &c. & St. Frank &c. The Pleurisy is cured  
by bleeding copiously. This is indispensably necessary. Co-  
pious bleeding will sometimes cure the disease. To the  
contrary, it is very remarkable, that the patients require  
the first bleeding to be very copious because they seldom  
bear a second. XVI<sup>th</sup> of blood may be taken with  
safety and advantage. Venen. XIX<sup>th</sup>. After the first bleeding  
does not relieve, the hard pulse continues, we must con-  
tinue to bleed, but be directed by the aspirations of the pulse  
or an acc. of sex. Females seem to bear bleeding &c.  
easier & more than men. I bled one woman 3 times  
in the same illness. She was both pregnant  
& recovered & was now living & healthy. Ponceville did a  
hole



patient who lost 140 lb of blood in this disease. by  
his disorder was brought on by a shot through his  
chest. His name was Mr. Thurn a captain in the  
British army. and was wounded in the battle of Prince  
George. His recovery was very slow. So highly irritable  
was his arterial system, that during the whole of his  
illness, I was obliged to restrain him to water, in which bread  
had been soaked. He took no other nourishment. Sago,  
Mucosa, Nisens were all strictly forbidden. Industrious  
nursed. § LXX. are commonly taken away the two  
most mentioned is probably 100 each, some of them rather  
more. First lement purges are proper. Slightly Diaphoresis  
to be promoted by small doses of Antimonial & emeticum.  
There is a vegetable substance called Senecio. Snake  
root. It acts without irritating by nauseating. It is a very  
efficient medicine in this disease. No listers applied  
as near the part affected as possible are of great service.  
They should be applied early. for here they act as va-  
cuants. Glysters should be used. ~~when purges~~ when purges  
never not the desired effect. Metastasis of humors  
regulation.

60. require. When the inflammatory diathesis is taken  
Hume must use Expectorants. After all then comes  
if the disease does not abate, we must have recourse  
to Expectorants. The best of these is the most proper  
given in the 4<sup>th</sup> of Vlt<sup>re</sup> every two hours. Demulcents  
should be prescribed, when the cough is troublesome  
for the natural mucus of the Trachea being abraded,  
even the air will induce a cough. Flax seed tea is the  
best of these as we wish many people in this disease.  
Broom leaf is also proper. When a patient has been in  
the habit of drinking spirits, it may be proper to  
add a spoonful or two to these demulcents, in order  
to induce him to drink larger quantities. To make  
a demulsion boil the Broom for half an hour, strain  
it, add sugar or honey, & the juice of Asine or Lemon.  
Flax seed tea may be made in the same way. This  
makes a most agreeable drink, & is so convenient to  
make drinks as agreeable as possible, in order to induce  
the sick to drink more freely. As soon as an incipient



selection. Expectoration proceeds, we must give 69.  
if an irritating cough attends. Emulics  
are said to be proper, but come with more advantage  
after a resolution takes place. When the patient seems to  
bear the weight of the matter in the lungs, which  
he has not strength enough to throw off, gentle vomits of  
Ipecacuanha are to be prepared: an inhaler should be  
used through which the patient must receive the  
vapours of bran-tie. Dr. Leper gave down of a  
mixture made of camphor & cam. Marides, by which  
he used to excite an inflammation in the urinary  
passages, it did no good until this effect was produced.  
In desperate cases it may be admissible, & acts before  
inflammation taking off an ounce. Pleurisy is  
apt to terminate in Empyema or Empyema. It may  
terminate too in the act of respiration. For these difficulties  
in Cullen's Symp. Secus in Surgery. Empyema is one of the  
most frequent causes that produce consumption,  
but the least fatal. Hence we should not abandon

70 impatient when a vomica is formed. If the modern  
is not of a consumptive make, especially if the reason  
of the fever is such, as to admit of using vegetables &  
milk diet with moderate exercise. There is reason to hope  
a cure. A young gentleman recovered from a Pleurisy  
which terminated in a vomica & Empyema, & then  
got able to go abroad & he went to Portugal, where  
he soon recovered his health as to marry. —

**Carditis.** This disease says Rush *Throm-*  
*bus*, the Synocha is said to be its most  
distinguishing Characteristic. The species is also  
a symptom of it, happening without debility & heat  
in urgent pulse.

**Pleuritis** *thrombus*. See Cullen.

**Peristitis.** Is of two kinds, and is a  
common disease. Diff. in Cullen. It is often *Peripne-*  
*umia*, or at least from internal causes as any Acid  
taken into the stomach, for instance Arumic. The



the most frequent cause in this country is 71  
cold drinks; they will sometimes produce sudden  
death. Three circumstances must concur that  
they produce this disease: 1. extreme heat of the body  
2. the liquor must be very cold 3. A large quantity  
must be taken in. The symptoms which occur in this  
disease are weakness of the limbs, giddiness, & prostration.  
Chronic or Tonic. This disease is prevented by cooling the  
body diminishing the quantity of the drink, or by  
receiving the first shock on the hands & face.  
When the disease comes on Sanguinum is the  
only remedy. Vomits are improper. An inflamma-  
tion of the liver & sometimes Chronic diseases are  
occasioned by cold drinks. In the cure of Gastritis,  
bleeding, blistering, dilute acids, & demulcent drinks  
are to be <sup>exhibited</sup> ~~exhibited~~. Gastritis Erythematica is of the  
Chronic kind. It is more common than we are  
apt to imagine.

(enteritis) is more common than Gastritis,  
14.

72 Is produced by acid matters taken in. Especially by  
the Cholic. Hence, bleeding is necessary in almost  
every stage of the Cholic. Diff. in Cullen. The pulse  
is of the Typhus kind. Cure. the same as of Gastritis.

**Hepatitis** In Cullen's Synopsis this disease is  
more frequent than the foregoing. The pain sometimes  
extends across the left Hypochondrium, on acct. of the  
liver being enlarged by the inflammation. This disease  
is sometimes taken for a Pleurisy. Sometimes a yellow  
colour of the skin & frequently of the eye attends. It comes  
on sometimes like a Catarrh & this is the worst kind. The  
Hepatitis is either acute or chronic, the latter sometimes  
comes on like a jaundice, the yellowing of the eyes more  
frequently attends this than the acute species. That, in  
inflammation, suppuration, or gangrene is present  
Gangrene may take place is proven from dissection.  
The pulse which is hard with a slow, indicates the presence  
of this disease, hence it is supposed there is no hepatitis  
without topical inflammation somewhere. When



in inflammatory fever is present, and may always  
denounce that there is inflammation tho it may  
be concealed, and a Physician gains credit by affirming  
that the pain will come on. A stone in the bladder  
produces irritation on the Glans Penis, & a stone  
in the Kidney will produce vomiting, hence there are  
no instances of insensibility in one place, & sensation  
in another. The Chronic is said to affect the Paren-  
chymatous, while the acute affects the membranous  
part of the Liver. This disease occurs most frequently  
in warm climates. The Cure consists 1<sup>st</sup> in exhibit-  
ing Glysters & bleeding copiously 2<sup>d</sup> in giving calomel  
in large doses. This was first given in the East Indies  
since it is administered universally. There is congestion  
in every case of inflammation especially that of the  
Liver. Calomel is an universal stimulant & promotes  
secretions & excretions It promotes the afflux of  
humors to the stomach & intestines, & consequently opens it  
in the Liver. The quantity may be given even to 100 grs.  
Mercury seldom salivates when a fever is present. Blesters  
are very powerful and should be applied large & directly over.

74. over the part affected. If the inflammation is on the  
outside of the liver, & has terminated in an Abscess it  
points outwardly & should be opened as a common  
Abscess. But if from Chills & the appearance of ~~rigor~~  
excitation of the internal part of the liver, the Trepanning  
is not to be used, You are commonly obliged to assist  
the operations of Nature or endeavor to break  
it off by emetics or purges —

*Splenitis.* I have nothing to say in this disease,  
but what you will find in Dr. Cullen

*Septicæmia.* see Cullen. It is more common  
than the latter disease. In this Striae is red, the vomiting  
is a Pathognomonic Symptom, the drawing up the Tes-  
ticles in men. There is one symptom which Dr. Cullen  
has not mentioned viz. a Cholic. The Septicæmia is seldom  
Idiosyncratic. The symptoms come on by Gravel, Galls,  
stroke, or, or shivering in the back, acting a hard bed-  
ding from &c. Q. U. E. This consists in bleeding, Lenient  
purges which ever best in a liquid form & Glsters, the effect  
of which is wonderful, for the Action you know has



directly across the kidneys. Curie as a fomentation 75.  
then filled with an emollient glistor. The warm bath  
and demulcent drinks are of consequence. This may  
be made of Flax seed or bran, after then Anodynes  
must be given. I emollient fomentations applied to  
the back or warm water inclosed in a bladder has  
been found useful -

(Cystitis). in Cullen's 7. It is common without  
any evident cause, but often from the use of Cantharides,  
unwounds & injections. The injection of Sic: Saturni:  
has sometimes produced this disorder. It happened to a  
patient of Dr Cullen in the Infirmary of Edinburgh.  
The there is inflammation, hard pulse, the blood stony &  
the patient keeps up sweats about. The fever is not gene-  
rally violent, this inflammation therefore seems to be Chronic.  
Dr Bond informed me that he knew of no inflammation that  
here or required such frequent bleeding as Cystitis. Besides  
bleeding we must use lenient purges, blisters, demulcents,  
& anodynes. When bleeding has not been used sufficiently it  
terminates in Scurvy ulcers or paralytic. Opening the

76 The bowels frequently by emetic glisters <sup>See how</sup> Schenck  
occurs, drawing off the patient's water frequently by the Catheter  
are of great service even towards the end moderate doses  
of Opium.

*Pisicillitis*. See Cullen D. M. D.

has written very handsomely in this disease. It is my advice to read  
his work. It is an inflammation of the womb brought on  
by difficult labour &c. The fever attending this disease, is in  
the beginning Symplocia, then, goes into Typhus hence  
authors differ in the method of cure. In summer or Typhus  
gravior is induced, owing to the Septic Diathesis which  
then prevails. It is of consequence to keep your eye upon  
the prevailing Epidemics of the season. When this disease  
occurs in the season of inflammatory diathesis, the fever con-  
sists, turns bleeding 3 or 4 times: but if it occurs in the  
season for Intermitents you must be very cautious how you  
bleed. Patients especially women after lying in are very  
averse to bleeding, but here you must be firm. Emetic  
glisters & topical applications are useful, stimulant formula-  
tions & emollient cataplasms to the abdomen are requisite.



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Rheumatism is divided into Cullen Is. Idiopathic or  
Symptomatic. The former again is divided into Chronic  
Acute. The cure of the Acute consists 1<sup>st</sup> in bleeding copiously  
it is an inflammatory disease 2<sup>d</sup> Calomel or mercur  
ual ointment, being applied to the joint affected 3<sup>d</sup>  
stimulation in one of the cutaneous of the morbid commotions  
has published a treatise on the use of Calomel in all kinds of in-  
flammation, but used it before I saw his piece. Inflammatory  
symptoms appear bleedings the chief remedy, leeches blisters  
topical bleedings Calomel given in the quantity  
of Grs IV. Potium combined with Opium also with Antacid  
Emetic. In this case Blisters act as evacuates the Chronic  
Rheumatism is accurately described by Cullen in his  
Arthrodinia. The cure is different from the acute: The  
great Desideratum is to restore the perspiration 1<sup>st</sup> by  
Rheumatism 2<sup>d</sup> by the warm cold baths 3<sup>d</sup> Stimulants  
Tincts, as sassafras, which is a fragrant, aromatic  
and stimulating drink. The volatile tincture of Quercum  
has been used with much advantage. For this effect  
it

70. it may be given from a tea to a table spoonful three  
a day. It drains of different kinds as Juss, salivans and the  
actual cautery. 5. Salivation, few instances of Chronic  
Rheumatism resist a salivation. 6. when all these  
fail, a warm climate will be of service, to which the patient  
should be confined for 3, or 4 years, if he wish to cure the  
disease radically. This acts not only by the exercise of  
sailing but by the warmth increasing the perspiration.  
With regard to exercise riding on horse back is absolute-  
ly injurious, for when cured, the joints most affected are  
not exercised, therefore it must be forbidden. A remark, that  
I have made, & that is not mentioned by authors, is, that  
this disease affects old soldiers & officers, especially owing  
to their intemperance. The frequent change from heat  
to cold, but principally the former. The symptomatic  
species of Rheumatism are very numerous. The female  
constitution in pregnancy is more disposed to infla-  
matory diseases than at any other time. This arises  
from the irritation occasioned by the distention of the  
uterus. Rheumatisms are more violent here than at any  
other time

Caontalgia



*Odontalgia* or Tooth-ach. Causes of the Tooth  
 from effusion arises in this manner. A Rheumatism seizes  
 the jaw which extends to the teeth & renders them ever after  
 liable to a return of this disorder. My reasons for supposing  
 this are the following. In the Torrid & Frigid zones, the tooth  
 ach and all other inflammatory diseases are scarcely ever  
 found. It is only in intemperate climates where changes  
 from heat to cold are sudden that inflammatory com-  
 plaints are prevalent. There is another cause of this  
 disease viz. *Scrophula* but this acts only by producing  
 Rheumatism. When the tooth is much decayed, the best  
 method is to extract it but if it is nearly sound the disease  
 may be prevented, by stopping up the hollow of the  
 tooth with tin-foil or gold leaf or burning the nerve  
 with a hot knitting needle. The cure of the tooth ach  
 consists in bleeding, blistering, purging, & opiates.  
 The Rheumatism of the jaw is prevented by pro-  
 ducing an equality of heat, so as to keep the teeth in  
 the same temperature as it were. The French always  
 sleep with a woollen night cap. Whigam is said to  
 have



80. Hence the best teeth of my people. In the day time  
the exertion of the system is generally sufficient to prevent  
any ill consequence from the cold: but at night  
the system is relaxed & consequently more liable to be  
affected — *Dentalgia* *granularum* occurs  
frequently from the plethoric state of the system, which  
renders them more liable to all kinds of inflammatory  
diseases. It is frequently an attendant on pregnancy  
that women sometimes determine this circumstance  
by its appearance. In some cases it appears before  
the cause. Dr. Hunter supposes that to obviate the  
effects of *Menstrua*, for which, nature has wisely instituted  
this sickness; thus, lessening the ingesta, by giving  
the patient a dislike for food for three or four days.  
There seems indeed to be a peculiarity in this complaint.  
I never observed it till now lately seen at home  
in this country. A sound tooth is taken from another  
person & put into the socket from whence the decayed  
tooth had been drawn. The tooth introduced is as if  
solid matter & no circulation ever takes place in it.  
This



It is proved from the tooth at its root being changed. It  
is found in 5 or 6 years, when it falls out, which it certainly  
will do, when spongy & decayed. That disease which  
frequently happens in consequence of replacing teeth, is  
not venereal, but as Dr. Hunter supposes is produced  
from irritation occasioned by the putrefaction of the  
teeth nearly set in. This putrefaction arises from the custom  
of putting in fresh teeth. Hence it is probable that dry teeth  
would stand as firm & last much longer, for we see that  
a dry post set in the ground will not rot so fast as a  
green one. A dentist of this city put a peg of wood into  
the jaw of a dog, & found that it became as firmly  
fixed as any tooth.

*Sodagra* in Cullen. It is divided into 4. Species  
viz. the regular, atonic, retrograde & wandering. See  
Cullen's first lines, also consult Sydenham on this  
disease, & Wimmer's treatise on the gout. Thise W. Wimmer  
was a clergyman. When being affected with this disease  
was led to study it. He has reduced himself published  
his remarks. His theory is absurd. Wimmer

It however it is difficult to discern between Gout Rheumatism, & affections of the stomach. hence proceed, you may affirm it to be the Gout, These are pathognomonic symptoms.

The Gout is an hereditary disease, and does not depend on morbid matter, but a peculiar conformation, & when this is strong, it sometimes occurs as early as 5 or 6 years of age, but most commonly at 16. When the hereditary disposition is weak, but living will bring it on, tho it might not have otherwise occurred. It sometimes passes on and seizes a grandson. This may come from the sons having resembled their Mother more than his father, or from his having lived very temperately, which subdued the hereditary disposition or from the Grandson's having lived intemperately. There are instances of its attacking women who lived intemperately.

The Gout counteracts all diseases, & attacks all places and parts of the body. Some observed this complaint in the case of a Colic. Stomach. Mr James Say observes that he had seen one with



Arthritic Salivation very copious. It seizes the <sup>83.</sup>  
head, throat, breast, & stomach; also the Kidneys &  
Penis producing a gonorrhoea benigna; Aphrodisia  
inflammation. Rheumatic symptoms, vomiting,  
& dysphagia attend; also the waters & the bladder are affected  
producing what the French call Catarrh of the  
bladder. It affects the rectum producing piles, with  
great pain. I have seen a set of piles as certainly owing  
to gout as ever I saw vomiting or headache. Gentle-  
man had this disorder from intemperance, & it is  
remarkable that if he sat any time in a room with a large  
company, & where candles were burning he was seized  
with a most acute pain in the rectum, & was obliged instantly  
to leave the room, & when he got in to the fresh air  
it left him. There is an instance of the sedentary  
effect of a stagnated air. A very frequent disease  
which it produces is a diarrhoea. I believe, that  
that when a diarrhoea continues very obstinate  
through life, it is an Arthritic complaint which by  
habit of intemperance, is brought on the bowels without  
affecting the feet. It is a maxim in all chronic

Of chronic diseases of children, where the cause is  
not evident to suspect worms, in all chronic com-  
plaints of women to suspect the uterus, and in  
men to suspect the gout, especially if the causes  
capable of producing it have preceded. Gout  
is a swelling of the lower extremities, without  
pain. The acrimonious kind; it commonly goes off  
about the same time that a fit of the irregular gout  
does. Its appearance is sometimes alarming. Is there  
a radical cure for the gout? It may be cured rad-  
ically, except it be of the chronic species, which it is not  
to be radically cured. The cure is determined by abstin-  
ing from acts of intemperance, & confining the pa-  
tient to a milk & vegetable diet & by labour to prevent  
plethora. The reason why the gout is so seldom cured, is  
that the person afflicted with it, will not be restricted  
in, or obliged to change his method of living.

Treatment of the Fit. This imp-



17 impossible ever to find out a medicine that will 13.  
18 immediately cure the gout. Medicines may palliate but  
19 cannot cure it. The Duke of Portland's powder was cele-  
20 brated as a cure, & by its stimulating quality, it seemed  
21 to have this effect, but every one who used it died afterwards  
22 with Apoplexy, palsy &c. **Tonic Gout.** During  
23 the fit of this species of gout it is possible to keep the patient  
24 out, but it is wrong for a physician to turn his back on  
25 such a person, as for that person to refuse the aid of medicine.  
26 Should there be great diathesis, you may bleed, thus was  
27 Sir James Fag's remedy by which he cured a gout as  
28 entirely & as suddenly as you cure a Pleurisy. We  
29 must use this remedy cautiously only in the tonic species  
30 of young persons. It is gotten into disrepute, ~~from being~~  
31 ~~not~~ from being used indiscriminately by Sir James Fag.  
32 Lenient & gentle purges are proper to take off the inflamma-  
33 tory diathesis. Sulphur is supposed to be the best  
34 remedy in this species. But this blister is very proper also  
35 Dr. Chalmers of South Carolina was afflicted with the  
36 just Venetian cure himself by applying a blister to the



Ob. The joint affected. From this I learned the use of them  
he was seldom confined above 48 hours with it. They  
should only be used when the gout does not shew a  
retrocedent disposition. When the patient will not  
submit to blisters, the Col. Alk. should be applied to the  
limb, Opium may also be used. The Col. Alk. is apt to  
produce the retrocedent gout. It is suspected from some ex-  
periments that cold may be of service from the analo-  
gy of Gout to other inflammations. This is Dr.  
Small's opinion.

Chronic Gout. Treatment of the Stomach. When it  
affects the stomach and bowels, we must use strong Stimu-  
lants, as wine Col. Alk. Porter and Opium. Porter is  
excellent when puking attends. A gentleman who had  
a vomiting which resisted blisters, Opium, Senna, Mustard  
and held continued 48 hours was cured by Porter. The  
treatment of the retrograde vomiting is the same.  
If it attacks the head, the remedy for a palsy is to be  
used; if the stomach wine, Col. Alk. spirits, Porter & Opium.  
Dr. Small says that in the Chronic Gout, if



I cannot be given as soon as the first symptoms of  
 appear it seldom fails of removing the disease, of this  
 we have no experience, as a physician is seldom called  
 soon enough. After 40 years we must only believe.  
 It is highly improper to change the mode of living  
 after this period, except under certain circumstances:  
 as when their ancestors have been long lived, or there  
 appears to be a great vigour of constitution, for they  
 either die of Consumptions Palsies or Apoplexies.  
 We may restrain the diet & make it moderate, but by  
 no means allow one. When we cannot make people  
 temperate, we must endeavour to prescribe the drink  
 which they may be indulged in. Madeira or Sherry  
 wine is best to produce the gout, more weak acid or  
 red wines, which contain much acid (and little spirit)  
 capable of being evolved by the stomach. Cyder is a very  
 improper drink but it is rendered less so by quenching  
 red hot iron frequently in, by which heat of the iron is  
 calmed & expelled by the cider. Wild fowls and animals of  
 all kinds are more easy of digestion than tame.

80 and full grown animals more than young. Let us  
endeavour to prevail on them to use boiled meat which  
stimulates less than roasted & is more easily digested. Let  
us keep up perspiration by steam, for as the gout  
occurs less frequently in warm than in cold climates  
and in summer than in winter. Alcock recommends  
exercise, & that kind which calls the affected muscles most  
into action, hence the benefit of walking; riding & exercise  
in cases of Chronic Gout is rather hurtful. Walking  
should not be used to excess, so as to fatigue, moderate  
exercise strengthens, while too much debilitates.

### Chronic Gout. Diff. in Gout

The disease has been called the Rheumatism, terminating  
in an abscess. It does not yield to mercury or bark, or  
even opium. The two cases under my care, which ter-  
minated favourably, was cured by a plant which  
grows spontaneously thro' the state called the Throat  
-wort, I use with *Carduus Versicolor*, because the latter  
perforates the leaves—

Order



Order 3<sup>d</sup> Exanthemata Diffuse Cullen  
Varicella or Small Pox. Diffuse Cullen

This disease comes on with a pain in the pit of the stomach, vomiting and a pain in the back, which is more acute than in any other disease. The Eruption begins on the third day and ends on the 5<sup>th</sup> in the distinct; but in the confluent it frequently begins on the 5<sup>th</sup> day and always dangerous. About the 6<sup>th</sup> day the eruption begins to suppurate and dry, but when there are very few, they dry sooner and that sometimes without pitting at all. The small pox are either distinct or confluent Sydenham & Willary have written accurately on this disease. Is it not signible to discuss the small pox before the eruption? Dr. Boerhaave & Willary thought so & said that mercury and Antimony would have this effect. When this disease comes on with Synocha, the remedies are bleeding, purging, vomiting & sweating, by this means reducing the patient as low as is consistent with life. Thus in some cases the disease is rendered mild, when, if it had been omitted, the

40. The disease would have probably been confluent &  
have carried off the patient. The fever accompanying  
this disease is either Synocha, Typhus mitis or typhus  
you must therefore regulate your practice accordingly.  
In some cases of distinct small pox, Pneumonia  
on which must be treated as if it was illis pathie. —

Pneumonia sometimes occurs when the eruption begins  
to turn or suppurate, in this case Catarrh given in  
such quantity as to produce a will be of service  
Purifiers to the eruption the more cold air the better,  
but after the eruption when Pneumonia occurs it is  
rather hurtful, however it may be used with advantage  
when the Typhus appears. It is a good custom to open  
pustules to prevent the ~~fever~~ which the disorder commonly  
leaves. Purgings is serviceable towards the end of the  
disease, than being then a disposition to eruption, which  
3, or 4 gentle purges will carry off or remove. For the  
method of inoculating I refer you to Dr. Cullen.  
Variella I refer you to Dr. Cullen. This is an insignificant  
disease and deserves nothing to be said on it. I refer you to Dr. Cullen  
Nob



Subjected in cutaneous Diff. In this disease  
the Synocha & Catarrh occur more frequently in  
winter, than in summer. It is said sometimes to be  
accompanied with a Typhus. When Synocha, Catarrh  
& Pneumonia occur in the measles they are to be treated  
as if they were Idiopathic, by bleeding purging &c.  
The treatment of this disease with respect to colour  
is contrary to that of the small pox, for as catarrh &  
occur here color is always hustle, or moderately warm  
regimen therefore is preferable. This disease if neglected  
frequently terminates in a Phtisis. If the pulse  
be hard, bleeding & a vegetable diet continued for 10  
days will be necessary: but when the disease appears  
with more Catarrh than usual, it may be necessary  
to continue it as long as 10 weeks. The body should  
be kept moderately warm during this time.  
After the disease is cured purges are always improper  
to this being more than a cutaneous disease, it  
always affects the lungs. Victor would give Drastic

92 Præstic Surges in a Mithisis. For vegetable  
aliment, the violence of the disease may be eradicated,  
as it lessens the inflammatory acethesis, and course  
the determination to the lungs. Incision in the  
cervix is of no advantage. It may be performed by  
cutting a piece of thread in the tears Vascularizing  
as in the small Pox.

Scarlatina Diff. re Cullen. In this country  
this disease is not always Synocha, it is more frequently  
by a Typhus mitior & sometimes gravior. It is either  
simple without any other affection, or attended with  
eruptions of the Fauces. Sydenham has accurately  
described this disease when simple or when attended with  
eruptions of the Fauces. This species occurs but rarely.

Scarlatina Anginosa, or Cynan-  
chica of Cullen is more common. This species  
has <sup>been</sup> thought to be the same disease with the Cynan-  
chica Maligna but it is a mistake. They certainly may  
be distinguished Dr. Wetherhill has described them



93.  
These diseases accurately, he says the eyes in this  
linear are red and shining and in the maligna weeping  
In this the eruption in the throat are white, in the  
maligna commonly black; in this the breath is hot,  
but not offensive as in the maligna.

Multa desunt.

## Order 4<sup>th</sup> Haemorrhagia

1<sup>st</sup> in Cullen's Synopsis. Haemorrhage I have been  
divided into 2 Active and Passive. The active are occasioned  
by Arterius Plethora, & the passive by a venous. The active  
occurs in youth, the passive in the decline of life. From the  
age of 36 to that of 40, & a necessity there is a struggle between  
the arterial & venous systems; that period of life is generally  
attended with climacteric. Amongst which are 1<sup>st</sup> Head-ach  
which seldom goes off till the Plethora is thrown on the  
veins; 2<sup>d</sup> Diarrhoea occasioned by the Plethora & second  
by bleeding; 3<sup>d</sup> Piles. The Plethora being thrown on the  
hemorrhoidal veins, this occurs at this period of life often  
than at any other. The Dyspepsia, Hypochondriasis &  
Hysteria are sometimes produced at this time. The

94 The age of puberty. At this time the system undergoes  
a change which is not produced without some diseases  
as swelling of the breast & knees, a cold, cough & Plethora  
relieved by bleeding & moderate and moderate  
exercise on horse back. It is of consequence to rescue  
young people from sedentary employments, which  
frequently lay the foundation for the consumption  
and other incurable diseases. So much for general  
descriptions on hemorrhages. We now move to speak  
of general remedies during the paroxysms. The  
first is cold, which must in this case be used in  
such a degree as to become sedative, for a moderate  
degree of cold is a certain stimulus. In battles  
many wounded soldiers were their limbs to being  
left on the ground all night in the cold weather,  
the cold proving sedative & stopping the flow  
of blood. 2<sup>d</sup> Next to cold is bleeding which must  
be used with great caution. If the pulse is hard  
and full, bleed, but if the effusion has taken down  
the force of the circulation, bleeding will be hurtful.



95.  
Lenther. 3, 6 grains. A Neutral Salt called 95.  
commonly called Alum. 5. Its effects have been  
used and applied as near as possible to the heart  
from which the blood issues. The blister acts here as  
an evacuant & antispasmodic. When it acts as a  
stimulus, it must be improper. Gentle laxatives  
will be proper to lessen the tension, & determine as much  
as possible the force of the circulation from the bleeding  
vessels. How can we prevent Hemorrhages?  
They are 1<sup>st</sup> prevented by abstinence, particularly  
from that aliment which produces most blood.  
2<sup>d</sup> By using that kind of vegetable diet, which  
contains the least nourishment. Vegetable sub-  
stances are said to be nutritious in proportion  
1<sup>st</sup> To the quantity of sugar they contain 2<sup>d</sup> to the  
quant<sup>y</sup> of oil 3<sup>d</sup> to the quant<sup>y</sup> of mucilage.  
3<sup>rd</sup> They are prevented by constant & moderate  
exercise which gives tone to the system. For Pleth-  
ra depends upon relaxation, hence the heavy  
labious country men are not plethoric.

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# Particular: Hemorrhage

Epistaxis. J. S. Cullen. Before we enter upon this subject, I would beg leave to remark that there are certain persons subject to an Hemorrhagic Diathesis. When this is the case, the cold bath I think have been used with extreme care. Epistaxis is either Spontaneous or Symptomatic, and occurs in the adult as well as in the young.

CURE. 1<sup>st</sup> This consists in trying cold applied to the neck, or to the scrotum which is much more sensible to the effects of cold. Stopping the scrotum with cold water band by ever fails to stop the bleeding.

Warming the face will sometimes cure it, but if it has not this effect immediately it commonly acts as a stimulus & thus increases the discharge. 2<sup>d</sup> When these remedies fail we must introduce dry plugs of linen or lint, so as to completely stop the nostril. This plug must remain an hour or more. Sometimes for two or three days. If it should slip out, we should introduce a dry one, for in the dryness the plug depends the



the success. Common salt has been used with  
advantage in Epistaxis. in the manner hereafter  
to be mentioned, under the cure of Hemoptysis. But  
it is absolutely necessary that the patient should not  
sit up.

**HEMPTYSIS.** *See Bullen's Synopsis.*  
It is either symptomatic or Idiopathic. *See Bullen's Synopsis.*  
Spitting of blood occurring in consumptions is commonly  
a local symptom. A suppression of any usual discharge  
sometimes produces it. The symptomatic  
arises from Catarrh. Measles, Smallpox &c. In the  
smallpox it is an alarming symptom indeed. The cure  
consists in bleeding, Opials, Acids, & avoiding violent  
exercise especially lifting weights. Bleeding is general-  
ly absolutely necessary. After bleeding opials, then  
acids, as Rose hysia with vinegar. Rest of great conse-  
quence should be strictly enjoined. Arnica has  
been lately discovered for the Hemoptysis, which renders  
the use of the other unnecessary, to Common Salt.

78. which to be sure is the last that would occur to a  
regular practitioner. I yet have heard and known of  
more than 100. cases in which it has proved serviceable.  
The dose is from a tea to a table spoonful, which generally  
cures the disease, but should be repeated in 3 or 4 days  
after to prevent the return of it. The salt produces  
thirst, a sense of burning heat in the fauces & tickling of  
stomach. Those persons who use their lungs much, as  
the Germans who sing much. Players, Lawyers, and  
watch men are seldom affected with this complaint.  
This Hemorrhage generally occurs in debilitated habit  
and at a time when the lungs are in a passive state,  
as walking, sitting, lying &c. Hence may we not  
suppose that common salt, by irritating the mucous  
and serous surfaces, communicates a stimulus to the bleed-  
ing vessels & thus prevents the future effusion? But the  
use of common salt should not supersede bleed-  
ing and the other remedies.

Pthisis



# *Tuberculosis Pulmonalis*

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Diff. in Cullen's Synopsis. Stairs from homoptosis  
able. (except asthma, catarrh, or tubercles. Tubercles in  
most cases arise from Scrophula and are ge-  
nerally incurable. It has been supposed that in  
Great Britain 2200 die of this disease. The  
common remedies are 1<sup>st</sup> Bleeding while the  
pulse is hard or the blood sixty. 2<sup>d</sup> Milk Sugar  
and Diet 3<sup>d</sup> Avoiding all kinds of irritation 4<sup>th</sup> Ater-  
mining to the surface of the body 5<sup>th</sup> Making  
artificial drains, by means of Issues and blisters  
taking of the determination to the lungs 6<sup>th</sup> An  
aquatic atmosphere. The climate of Barbadoes  
is esteemed favorable to consumptive habits. Lisbon  
has been found to unsuitable. There are the  
common remedies. A fact that may direct  
your attention to useful observation on this sub-  
ject is, 1<sup>st</sup> It is unknown among the Indians  
in their natural state. 2<sup>d</sup> It is scarcely known  
among

100. among the Indians whose lives most  
nearly approach that of Savages. The life of the  
settlers of this country comes nearest that of  
the Indians. The consumption, it is observed, is  
very rarely among them. 3<sup>d</sup> It is less common  
in country places than in cities, and in a more  
wild intemperance, and sedentary modes of life.  
4<sup>th</sup> The Indian constitution, with the U. who live  
sup. require exercise in open air & their diet  
is not generally very luxurious, seldom have  
consumptions. 5<sup>th</sup> Women, especially those who  
lead a sedentary life are more liable to consump-  
tions than men. From these facts, we may hope to  
prevent consumptions, by desisting from the imprudent  
mode of life. I shall examine here only a few  
of the most <sup>various</sup> remedies, which, at one time or other have  
been famous. For this so dreadful and fatal disease  
and endeavour to show that the efficacy of the  
most of them depends on the exercise and air  
which



such incessantly accompanied the use of them.  
 1<sup>st</sup> Then sea voyages have sometimes proved benefi-  
 cial, because of the almost constant exercise.  
 2<sup>d</sup> Change of climate has been recommended, but  
 I do not remember to have heard of its curing Con-  
 sumptions, unless accompanied with travelling  
 in the open air. 3<sup>d</sup> Gymnastics have often performed  
 well, but chiefly when long and accompanied  
 with difficulty, which raises the strength of mind  
 and body. 4<sup>th</sup> Comets of evacuating medicines  
 have been often recommended but I do not remember  
 an instance of their having cured when unaccom-  
 panied with exercise. 5<sup>th</sup> Bleeding has often  
 relieved, but it is only by taking off the inflamma-  
 tory acethesis, which exercise would have done  
 much better. 6<sup>th</sup> Vegetable matters and stimulating  
 gums have been of service, but it was when there  
 was great debility. 7<sup>th</sup> A plentiful perspiration  
 not excited by any means has often prolonged life but

102. but they cannot be properly kept up, without  
exercise and that in wholesome air. O<sup>th</sup> blood  
& lungs, & issues become in like manner  
to carry of the redundant fluid, which ought  
to have been dissipated by moderate exercise.  
O<sup>th</sup> swinging acts in the same way, and is the  
gentle and agreeable exercise, say suitable for exercise.  
From all these facts, it is evident, that the  
remedies for consumptions must be sought  
for in the exertions which throw off most sile  
= July. 1<sup>st</sup> I have known men cured by the si  
ship of a military life 2<sup>d</sup> During the war before  
last a Mr. Lawns was carried away by the  
Indians & kept by them for a considerable time  
He was dragged from home when ill of a con  
= mption; but the simple and rough living of  
the Indians, which he was obliged to submit  
to, cured him; nor did ever the disease return  
These facts are sufficient to establish the utility  
of those laborious exercises which I have enumerated



103.  
Where Brooks, Watts &c. are wanting,  
must be determined for them, and Dr.  
Sydenham pronounced nothing on horse back  
as certain or cure for consumption as bent for the

Intermittent which is as certainly to be taken as  
that inflammatory fevers are more scarce now,  
than when Sydenham wrote

2. Agriculture, if at the same time accompanied  
with farmers diet, and hard work, is useful.

3. Such occupations as oblige long exercise in  
the open air. The more feeble a constitution is, the  
more tedious should be the way of life to prevent  
this disease. 4<sup>th</sup> Dr. Sydenham relates a cure of the  
cold bath being efficacious in the cure of consump-  
tions. I have heard of a similar instance of a  
negro in the West Indies. We may prolong life  
by using the debilitating method only.

There is certainly an inflammatory diathesis  
connected with debility, which prevails more  
in cities than in the country & is common, more

104. more than in men. It is said to arise from  
induct debility, as it is called. It is the premise  
of this species of inflammatory diathesis, which  
renders consumptions more difficult to cure,  
than formerly. It is this that renders riding on  
horse back so ineffectual. If it were possible to regulate  
the tone of the system by a scale I would add that  
the system should be raised to the greatest degree  
to cure consumptions.

When inflammatory diathesis <sup>prevails</sup> or regulates it  
is proper, but when the disease has passed this  
stage, I think from experience meat may be taken  
in a moderate quantity. The book has been given  
with evident advantage, where there has been a  
total absence of inflammatory diathesis.

There is a man in one of the back rooms of  
this state, who, it is said, is famous for curing ~~consumptions~~  
consumptions. His remedies are, lying out of doors,  
with a fire at the patient's feet and the use of snow



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Hemorrhoids. Diff<sup>n</sup> of the diff<sup>t</sup> species. Proximate  
cause of which see Willen's Practice

This disease is frequently caused by costiveness, hence  
it is very frequent in those who ride much on horse back  
and most frequently troubled with it. Sometimes  
it comes on with the symptoms of Dysuria, & must be  
treated like other active Hemorrhages by bleeding  
and lenient purges, of which sulphur is common  
regard. The Bullum Pill is gentle laxative  
but as it suspends some narcotic power it is not  
best to use it any length of time. There are many  
instances of many people dying of suppurative Hemor-  
rhoids cured with palsy from the habitual use  
of this medicine. Dr. Mead's remedy for  
obviating costiveness was to make the patient  
every day at a certain hour sit on the elbow stool  
by which means the evacuation at that time  
became habitual, & thus the use of all enuements  
became superfluous. Now is the most improper

2. Relaxation Muscles can be used, for it frequently is the cause of the disease. To relieve the spasm various applications have been used such as equal parts of opium ground with oil, a Acornia black plaster. The Unguent. Stramonium which is very proper as having a wonderful property of allaying irritation. In making the ointment it should not be suffered to boil. Tar Ointment is a good application. This disease has been cured by an ointment made of white lead & sweet oil in equal quantities applied three or four times a day.

A moderate regulated diet will be proper, because it affords less blood and is more assuaging. When sweats have been used to bleeding we must suppress it with great caution.

Emitting of blood from the stomach  
This frequently observed to occur in head-ache, & in consequence of accidents, as a blow upon the region of the stomach. A violent shock will sometimes occasion it.



gentlemen whom I have attended but  
 not yet taken with a vomiting of blood  
 the remedies are Liquid Laud. 2<sup>d</sup> Corn<sup>d</sup> Salt  
 which I have once given with success. 3<sup>d</sup> cold water  
 taken into the stomach or applied externally.  
 I have lately seen great advantage derived from  
 the application of a napkin moist in cold water  
 applied to the epigastric region, in the course  
 of ten minutes the Hemorrhage ceased. If this  
 had failed I would have ordered glysters of cold  
 water to be injected. I have had no experience of success  
 should there fail Sp<sup>l</sup> Turbintl. may be given. It may  
 appear strange to order stimulants in such a case,  
 but if we consider that in Scapine Hemorrhages  
 debility prevails we can easily conceive that stimuli  
 are tonic to the vessels of the part, and thus stop  
 the Hemorrhage, hence in this disease they  
 are absolutely necessary.

& abdomen.

#### 4. Menorrhagia Less in Cullen.

The common remark that Unilobulary takes place only during the Menstruation, but from the authority of Dr Hunter we understand that women often bear children both before and after menstruation. Pregnant women sometimes have the menses, that monthly during the whole period of gestation - Smelly mentions this hence we should not be surprised at it. It is supposed this evacuation is from the vagina.

Menorrhagia Uterina is sometimes connected with tension and sometimes with debility. To in both cases is nearly the same. The first thing to be done is to recommend rest on the back, because in this posture fewer muscles are in action. You can seldom cure a Menorrhagia when the patient continues to walk about. If the patient be of a full habit bleeding is necessary but we meet with few cases which require it.



is an excellent remedy. & Spring of  
enough extracted the highest quality of Opium  
this disease. Cold air is also found to be  
the excellent. as also cold water; Linseed likewise  
is serviceable. Now known upon the bleeding  
it has been found to form a thrombus by  
conspiring the blood & absorbing its thin parts.  
It may be given with success from X to XX  
grains three or four times a day. The recurrence of this  
disease depending on Plethora is to be prevented  
by moderate diet & occasional venesection & at  
last by exercise, after some time active exercise as  
walking riding &c. When it is connected with  
debility we are to use Tonics, as Bark, steel, Astringent  
exercise & cold bath. Blisters are proper when  
there is a dropping only. They act as evacuates  
the Spasmodics or Tonics they should be applied to the  
thigh, as high up as possible. Succacuantha  
has been much & justly recommended in this disease.  
It acts as a tonic. & Reciprocation of conjoint delights

6. through the investigation of the ramifications  
of friendship is with duty in totality <sup>part</sup> admission  
Excursions in the country have been unavailing.  
Keeping up the perspiration by steam is necessary.  
The Hemorrhagic diathesis is insidious to child-  
birth & most miscarriages are brought on by it. It  
may be checked by occasional bleeding. Beware  
the habits of pregnant women & the men.  
It is to be used cautiously when we cannot persuade  
take the necessary remedies from VI to VIII  
should be taken away once every month for the  
four or five first of the disease.

Leucorrhoea may be easily distinguished from  
Gonorrhoea by its being accompanied with chronic  
disorders disagreeable to child bearing  
tho it do not always prevent it. As we  
consider it a disease of the whole system, we  
attempt the cure of it by general remedies as  
Bark, Steel, Cold Bath, Exercise, Turpentine &c.  
sometimes the matter is so acrid as to produce  
ulceration 'tis then difficult to distinguish, fromy &c.



Cataracts of the eye.

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There are two species the first from cold the  
second from contagion. That is a case of  
coming it from cold is certain, but whenever  
cataracts are universal it is presumed that they are  
from contagion. I have not doubt of its being a  
contagious disease, than there is of the small pox  
the degree is to extend over the whole continent  
at the same time. The influence of the contagion is  
in some disease in of the fine children only affected  
the rest but other times grown people. There is a species  
that affects cattle only.

There is one kind in the west of Scotland, to  
which if a stranger goes from any country within  
within three or four days after he arrives all the  
inhabitants are seized with a cataract. The fact  
related by the Duke of Argyll. To suppose to depend  
the inhabitants living on very low peat, whereby  
the stranger from having lived higher had a cataract  
in his perspiration which occasioned irritation  
produces the cataract. It has been observed that

8 That men of different countries being suddenly brought together become sickly by the difference of perspiration & breath. This was remarkably instance in the late war by the camp fever while the army lay at Cambridge Mass. 1775.

In the New England troops amounting to 15,000, no such fever was seen. When the armies met at New York from the different states the fever raged with great violence. The Indians know nothing of Catarrhs tho they do of colds.

Respiration is thought to be specific, as dogs can surely distinguish their masters. I can assurely in this city <sup>consisting</sup> of 100 hundred persons every one of them was seized with a catarrh. This undoubtedly was from contagion. Most Consumptions arise from neglected colds. Dr. Mead used to say that the plague only was worse than the cold. The patient often suffers much from being able to walk about before he applies to a physician. What is death like then a very great cold? Bleedings frequently necessary in



in this disease. I must never fail of curing himself  
by giving a cathartic during at bed time. This acted by  
relieving thirst. Demulcent drinks as Flax seed tea  
or rose tea, barley water boiled with raisins;  
sugar candy, mixed with sugar rubbed in it  
have been all found useful. Opacities are necessary in  
this disease and should be used as early as possible  
for the usual evacuations of bleeding. ---  
bleeding when other remedies have failed has  
been found useful. Additional warmth is necessary  
in the convalescent state. Cold is certainly  
injurious whenever the lungs are affected. Raising  
the head is of service for stopping off the  
onset of this disease. A tight cap is to be avoided.  
and a shirt is of use. Soothing the feet in warm water  
is serviceable. Consumptions generally succeed  
if neglected. ---

ESSENTIAL. Acute, & subacute.

Whether it be Idiopathic or Symptomatic is disputed.  
The former is supposed to be the primary disease.

10. If it be a primary disease, it often occurs as a symptom  
of a fever called by Sydenham Febris Intermittens.

In this city it is generally complicated with the intermittent.

In both cases the cure is the same, therefore 'tis of no  
consequence which it is. If the inflammatory

action be considerable, bleeding is necessary. Senecio

lugo is aquisite in all cases. Rhubarb is at present

considered an improper laxative. Tella, Gum. Tart.

(Manna & Castor oil are the most proper. Spasmodic

to make esp. vomits & purges are by all

means to be persisted in, until the symptoms

which require them continue. This mixture has

been found successful in children of 4 or 5 years

old when in stools, probably from their inability

to take proper medicines.

The Irritation may be relieved by Opium which

should be given in every case of Dysentery every

night. Demulcent drinks are proper, that made

of Sents-horn. Gum Arabic &c. Demulcent inject

ions with a little Liq. Laud. are invincible.



11.  
Mutton suet boiled in milk or mutton broth  
in the same way is of use. Blisters on the wrists  
have been found of use in the Febris intermittens of this  
city. They ought to be applied on the 6, or 7, day, if  
the disorder yield not to other remedies. The fever  
attending this disease is of the Remittent or  
intermittent kind: in which case the bark with  
opium is an infallible remedy. If a Diarrhea  
occurs it must be treated as we shall direct hereafter.  
Pulapour and Spasmodics of the upper Sometime  
of the lower extremities follow this disease. As  
in the Cholera Pictonum of the West Indies.

12 Neuroses in Cullen.

Order II. Comata. (Apoplexia)

There are different degrees of this affection. It is sometimes very profound and accompanied with total loss of reason. In apoplexy there is either an intravascular or extravascular of blood or serum. That depending on extravasation is beyond the reach of cure. The third form of apoplexy is not necessarily fatal. People have had 12 or 13 fits especially in winter. Sometimes people die of the first or second fit.

The II species of Apoplexia Sanguinea is the most frequent. The first remedy is cupping including. This disease depending on crassitude of blood, acts as a stimulant producing full pulse & all the symptoms of inflammatory Diathesis. It is remarkable that the pulse is not so hard here as in acute Inflammation. The bleeding should be profuse; a vein in each



with arms should be opened & take away 20 or 20  
 drs of blood. It has been taken in some cases  
 with advantage; the pulse must be a guide,  
 & strict scrutiny; loose Gownments, Opium, Glysters,  
 strong Cathartics, Salts to the neck, & the use of  
 stimulating external means of mustard seed applied  
 to the feet are found of use.

Dr. Hithersill recommends emetics in this case.

II. Species *Cerebra* will sometimes occur in  
 tropical patients. Remedy as above, bleed with  
 caution - stimulate with spirit.

III. Species *Hydrocephalus*

This disease is supposed to depend on Inflammation  
 of the brain. It has been cured in the Hospital  
 of St. George's of London. That it has been cured by the use  
 of Mercury. It generally proves mortal several  
 ounces of water has been found in the brain of  
 those who died of this disease.

IV. Species *Trabilaria* seldom met.

V Species Drammatica. This is to be treated in the same manner as the Sanguineus.  
 VI ditto Senectilis. The most frequent cause is strong drink. This species of Asphyxy is present when a person is dead drunk. Some die of it. Cold water & fear are said to be effectual remedies. Another frequent cause of this species of Asphyxy is emphysematic air discharged from fermenting liquors. Buckets of cold water thrown upon the face are useful. Blisters or ariad hot iron applied to the head are said to be of advantage. Wine cellars or wools long shut up are dangerous. The same disease from Insolation is to be cured by cold water & fear. Asphyxy from cold belongs to this species. Friction with warm flannel are of service, as approaching too near the fire is injurious.

VII. Asphyxia Mentalis. caused by anger is cured by bleeding blisters. That from joy by cold air and water.



28. *Spoptexia Cataliptica*. Cullen never saw it

18. *Suffocata* This better place in persons  
whose lungs are diseased. If there be any cure  
is by wrapping the body in cotton & turning  
it, inflating the lungs, injecting into the intestines  
As soon as patient can swallow vegetables & stimulents  
must be exhibited. Bleeding must not be practiced  
until the pulse has recovered its full vigour.

Dr. Ferrius says he has slept agreeably when in a bath  
Why does the body sink being specifically lighter than  
water? Because the patient dies in fear which lessens  
the bulk of the body & thereby renders it specifically  
heavier.

The Symptomatic species of *Spoptexia* are.

1. *Febri's Intermittens*. This is very frequent in this  
climate, & is occasioned by the exceedingly violent power  
of the effluvia the remittent cure of them fevers.  
A lady who was again taken with *Spoptexia*

16. *Aspilexy* was cured by lark.

2. *Felres* continues *Verusilue* fevers begin with  
*aspilexy*.

3. *Epilepsia* often assumes the appearance  
of *aspilexy*.

4. *Mysteria*, counterfeits almost all diseases &  
among the rest *Aspilexia*.

5. *Podagra*. Gout frequently puts on the appear-  
ance of *aspilexy* & perhaps more so than any  
other disease.

6. *Cumes*. sometimes produce *Aspile* as almost  
all disorders of the human body

7. *Tetania* & *Scorbut*. *Scurvy* & *scurvy* some-  
times produce *aspile*. Those who die of *Schwind*  
die *aspiletic*

*Prophylaxis* or method of preventing the  
impulse is necessary. *Neurasthenia*, *depression*, *giddiness*  
*Vacillatio* in the head usually precedes it. Heat  
suspiria are improper. Lamenting surgeons will of



of the utmost consequence. Exercise is inadvisable  
See the patient's clothes should be loose. Keeping  
the back is improper. Issues & blisters are serviceable.  
Restoring suppressed evacuations <sup>are</sup> of use.

*Paralysis* Definition &c see Bulletin.

*Hemiplegia*, is sometimes occasioned by the Spinal Palsy.

*Paraplegia* is generally incurable.

*Coma* From palsy. The causes are the  
same here as in Cerebral. Want of motility & excitement

in the nervous system. In palsy from effusion

the patient is always full. The remedies are Venesection

and large quantities, purges & does have been found

of great efficacy by stimulating the rectum and

has taken off the irritation from the brain.

Intercostal applied to the neck have proved serviceable.

Effusion in the hand is chiefly distinguished

from the want of motility in the limbs.

The palsy from want of motility occurs from cold  
or Rheumatism sometimes.

When the nervous system is affected Electricity has

been found of use. Hot & cold bath immediately <sup>after</sup>

18. after each other. & ineffectuals. as mustards  
stinging with rubbers Blisters & Frictions with  
the flesh trust or Flannels. Weights appended to  
particular joints affected have been useful Dr Cullen  
related a Girl affected with this complaint to  
put her arm into very hot water, then to lift  
a small weight, by degrees a heavier by  
which judicious method she was relieved  
Peculiarities the same as in Apoplexy —

**Tremor** def<sup>n</sup>. & definition.

This disease is connected with palsy. There are two  
species from weakness palsy & convulsions  
This produced by afe passions of the mind  
as Fear, Joy, Anger, &c. a frequent cause is strong  
drink. Painters & Metallurgists are affected by it  
This supposed to arise from the immoderate  
use of Tea, Coffee Tobacco &c. Dr J. Pringle  
was affected with tremor in consequence of  
using much Scurv cured by leaving it off.  
Remedies of tremor are 1<sup>o</sup> to avoid the  
cause. 2<sup>o</sup> use Juniper. Bark, Steel & particularly cold water



*Syncope:*

*Adynamis no Cutler.*

hypocrisis, the motion of the heart diminished.  
 to Cullen has properly distinguished between Syn.  
 which depends on the heart & that which depends  
 on the brain. The first arises from a fault of the  
 heart, and is beyond the reach of medicine  
 the latter from Evacuations, Fatigue, Passions  
 of the mind, particular odors, particular sights.  
 Remedies, or counteract nature, cold water applied  
 to the stomach, Friction, &c. when the patient com-  
 ments. To prevent this disposition Tonic Med.  
 for least is efficacious. Resolution would cure  
 a success of syncope that arises from Antipathy.

*Agrostis* in collibus.

6. This is a frequent disease it is either Idiopathic or symptomatic. The symptomatic is either from disease of the stomach or the other parts of the body. The stomach has been very justly called the

20 The Index of the nervous system, rarely  
any part of the system can suffer without  
affecting the stomach: Such only the affections  
of the body but those of the mind affect it  
likewise, as Grief & producing some  
of the symptoms of dyspepsia. Very warm  
or cold elements of difficult digestion affect  
it in a particular manner

WINE. Avoid all the wine causes flatulency,  
spirits, calamus, & Commune, but every  
other better, common weak tea will do.  
Acids of a tonic nature as Col. Alk & Theacae.  
Exercises, some others as Stimulant Vices  
Tonic medicines as Commune, star, Colu.  
Spice Emetics, raw onions, Elix. Vitis,  
Charmatics. Exercise, animalities, not subject  
to acerbous fermentation, are of use  
Wine & spirits are the most proper drinks  
They give tone to the stomach & prevent nausea





22. The Stomachary Canal is the principal seat of this disorder as well as of Dyspepsia but to constitute the former, but to constitute the former a loss of spirits must accompany the affection of the alimentary canal. It appears in a variety of ways as Costiveness, which arises from Spasms of the intestines, or in Tensibility of the Intestines themselves (Many persons may be exposed to Cold Heat &c without being sensibly affected by them)

Dyspepsia is shown itself in a tendency to vomit, the stomach heaving of the Spasms of the Intestines - & Diarrhoea sometimes occurs: but Costiveness more generally dominating the natural

is often confounded with the Hysteria. They are thus distinguished

1. Men are more subject to this disease than women.

2. More common in winter than summer (but to them common)

3. Not peculiar to Sedentary employments.

4. The Gluteus Hystericae ever accompanies this disease, but it is one of the most Pathognomonic symptoms of Hysteria. The other symptoms are common with both -



25  
In I supposed you had diseases of the stomach with  
want of spirits. but here the diseases of the stomach  
are accompanied with loss of spirits. The Proximate  
cause is a defect of sensibility. Hypochondriasis occurs  
in melancholic temperaments, & in them. Students  
especially of Physic & Divinity. When exercise is not fully  
employed, but sometimes with grief.

Water nearly the same as in Dyspepsia, warm drinks  
and leeches are pernicious. Calomel as being an  
universal stimulant is proper, it should be given  
in such quantity as to produce osalivation.  
Long journeys have been serviceable. Anything  
which tends to suspend a continuation of ideas  
in the present thoughtful situation should be  
avoided. Pursuits which interest the passions  
are of consequence.

**Chlorosis.** 'Tis a female disease. Sometimes proceeds from an excess of retention. May Discharge often menses as well as retention.

**Remedies.** The same as in Dyspnoea but here. Bleed & still are of more consequence also the cold bath —

**Spasmi in Uterus.** —

Spasms are either Tonic or Clonic. Tonic not alternating with relaxation. Clonic is that which alternates with relaxation. We must say a few words on nervous tension which may exist without Actual Tension. There is a certain degree of nervous tension necessary to health, depending 1 On original stamina 2, On the tension of the arterial system 3, On the degree of activity & tension of the alimentary canal and organs of generation 4 On exercise in a certain degree 5 On a certain degree of cold —



Heat and the want of exercise produce Sensibility  
irritability & Mobility which are the roots of a due  
degree of tension.

Setanus see Cullen.

This disease is supposed to depend upon direct debility  
Cure. must be attempted by thin remedies as  
Poult. Strium large quantity Cold bath, sedation.

Tremus Nervorum may be prevented by purging  
of the micrium by a little Rhubarb & Magnesia  
Cure see Cullen.

This disorder is supposed to proceed from Atonia.  
Opium is the only remedy curing the fit. The  
disposition is to be overcome by Exercise the cold  
bath. When Rethora prevails use bleed.

Chorea see Cullen.

This occurs between the 10 & 15 years. it may be  
cured by warm medicines. Rub powders mark  
cold bath &c

Raphania. Diffin see Cullen.

Cause cure &c see ditto

26. Epilepsia. *Def<sup>n</sup> in Cullen.*

It is Idiopathic or Symptomatic, it is sometimes mistaken for Hysteria.

Its proximate cause is mobility. Remedies are usually Tonics of every kind, astringents, bitter vegetables. Cuprum Ammoniac. Zinc, & the Potilla vitriol. Zinc has been said to produce a perfect cure. Leetons when plethoric exists, milder sea, change of climate & sedentation. This acts by giving tone to the entire system. It of course to the nervous which takes off the disposition to Epilepsy. Quack is said to have cured this disease by giving the blood of a blind Tortoise warm for three morning successively.

Palpitatio in Cullen — —

When Idiopathic it is incurable when Symptomatic it yields to the remedies proper for the disease of which it is a symptom as Gout, Hysteria &c.

Asthma in Cullen.

It is divided into humed and spasmodic. In every case of asthma there is spasm. Humed it may arise.



27.  
Expectoration in general is in proportion to the depression  
on the lungs.

Where, in all Tricipathic Species should be the same.

Bleeding ought to be the first remedy. & more is often

known in the Thorax it is an alarming symptom if

the bleeding is with other symptoms equally alarming.

hemorrhoids are next to bleeding. after these indications as

& Opium, pericardiacs are given squills are the most proper

Garlic, Gum Ammoniac are proper also. Potatoes

are most excellent. Location: & Time to prevent its

return. Consumption women ought to suck their own

children otherwise the Pectoral which should be taken

off by sucking falls upon the lungs. This well known

that a certain quantity of moisture is necessary in

the atmosphere for the well being of all animals.

in such proportion as that quantity is increased or

diminished in the same proportion will those

troubled with this disease be affected. Hard labour

is harmful to asthmatic people. There is necessary

what should be paid to diet, in digestion, for multitudes avoid it.

28. *Suspended scutellon. Cure the same as the 1st. 18th*  
*Perforated. in scutellon.* —

This syncytic disease is certainly a  
Spasmodic one. The seat of the spasm is supposed to  
be in the Throat or Bronchus also in the stomach  
according to some. There is generally inflammation  
Six weeks is supposed to be its ordinary duration: yet  
it sometimes lasts three months. Skulls are  
sometimes affected with it. This disease sometimes  
ends in a mortal consumption.

*Cure* The most effectual remedy is bleeding & then the  
inflammatory diathesis takes place. Vomits Oxyri-  
scil. Effluvia. or Ton. Em. repeated three or four times a week.  
Gentle laxatives as Rhub. Halom. Antispas. Ol. Succ  
Lentis. Spasmodic. Scutellon. The Bala of the Linch  
of a paste given 3 or 4 times a day with warm water.  
Then has been of service Counteracted likewise  
A plaster between the shoulders fastened by  
fracture changed every fortnight is of use. Change of air.



*Diarrhoea in Cullen.*

This often occurs as a symptom of Dyspepsia, not always  
 a quantity of limpid water is often discharged without pain  
 a cure is effected by bolsters & common Stomachics

*Colica in Cullen.*

Women are more subject to this disease than men.

Cure in plethoric habits begins, as the intestines are  
 sometimes inflamed. This sometimes cures As it takes  
 tension from the whole system, so it does from the  
 bowels. Gentle laxatives Crem. Tar. in the dose of ʒss  
 4 or 5 times a day, neutral salts in small doses & castor-  
 oil have been found of use. Moderately stimulating  
 Glysters after the feces have been removed by gentle purges  
 of use, salt is mixed with them with advantage  
 an infusion of tobacco or smoke injected has been found  
 to be of use. has been found of great advantage  
 Opium is necessary throughout the disease.

Bolsters applied to the Nipples have been used with great success.

*Prophylaxis* patients ought to avoid pork, veal, lamb

tea & coffee should be forbidden our patients. Gentle laxatives

hemine too. exercise, cold bath, (if many) cold has been useful

30 Cholera - in children.

Kindred are affluens in warm climates in July and August. It is supposed to arise from an excess in summer fruit. This disease is much more dangerous in old than young subjects.

The summer diseases are the Cholera in July & August. Febris, lemillens biliosa in Septem<sup>r</sup> which continues six weeks sometimes eight, then in October the inflammatory Fevers.

Cure. The contents of the stomach should be first discharged by warm water or chicken broth we must have immediate recourse to Calomel which must be our chief dependence. Next diluents, sweet teas, toast & water, kind tea, chamel tea, rice water particularly. & Application of leeches applied to the umbilicus is of great service. To mitigate the throes of the extremities rubbing them with warm Sp<sup>ts</sup> is efficacious. Cataplasms of toasted like coffee drunk ground & all has been efficacious.



Cure Evacuate the bile by Ipecacuan<sup>a</sup> & Hart. Emet.

Gentle laxatives. Opium - Demulcents as the white Deco.

Glysters of Tamarind Tree or mutton broth with A. Laud.

Harsh digested in water - Cordial & tonic medicines

as the direction of bark with nutmeg - indulging

children sometimes in their desires of stimulating  
a stimulant has cured them.

Purmentatives are. daily use of cold bath of  
strong old wine - a moderate use of salt meat  
removing children into the country before the  
time in which this disease occurs.

Diarrhea in Children.

All ages are subject to this disease tho' it more  
frequently happens from the age of 36. to 40.

it is often of long duration sometimes 2, 3, 6  
months. In Men, we are reminded of its lasting

10 years. There is no cure to be of the cathartic

kind, it often follows Dysentery.

Cure Rubent. 2. Vermis of Ipecacuan<sup>a</sup>.

32. repeated every week 3 Effluents as infusions  
of oak bark, cornus etc. Port wine. Bitters  
stimulents as turpentine pills, decoction of Guaiac.  
Decoction of chamomile tea. Meadows tea, Peppermint  
mint tea & Blisters applied to the wrists were very  
serviceable. Tho they do not always succeed  
they may be repeated, upon the former being tried.

The diet must be regulated according to the  
appearance of the stools. If black regulated  
dietment and Summer fruit will be proper  
This we suppose that animal acrimony prevails.  
Exercise is of great consequence; Flannel is necessary  
hills, an obstinate Diarrhoea has been cured by An  
inflam matory diet. There has been con  
sistence of activity with the child, who being  
troubled with a Diarrhoea, was seized with a  
pleurisy, she was bled as for a pleurisy and  
was surprised to find that her lax had left her.  
As the Pleurisy is attended with increased tone  
of the arterial system. It is supposed to have  
arisen the disease by imparting tone to the elementary conditions.



55.  
Lutellus see Cullen.

Its disease is connected with debility and rickety  
states. It yields to some medicines and the cold bath  
2<sup>d</sup> Macle has treated it largely. common salt  
taken every morning is said to have cured it.

Hysteria see Cullen.

This disease may be distinguished from Psychodonia  
1<sup>st</sup> by its affecting more women than men.

2<sup>d</sup> affecting single women more than married.

3<sup>d</sup> here the hysterical Hysterics is Tetragynomic.

4<sup>th</sup> This is a disease of warm climates and of old

Hysteria has been confounded with Epilepsy.

The premonitory signs are the same with Epilepsy  
viz. Stulticity. — here the same as Epilepsy.

Hystrophobia see Cullen.

This disease commonly, though not always, depends  
from the bite of mad animal. The common time

of its appearance after the bite is supposed to be

within 40 days but sometimes 3 months. From abroad

it follows the same principles as here as in Tetanus.

24. *Quidam* that the disease is occasioned by a sedative  
cause, & does it not depend on debility? A fact  
related by Withersill induces me to believe that  
it does. Two persons were bitten by the same  
dog. One of whom died of the disease. 'Twas  
remarked that the wound of the person who died  
was healed before he was seized with *Hydrophobia*,  
while that of the person who recovered remained  
open & discharged considerably. Here the wound  
must have been accompanied with a great degree  
of inflammation & may not this inflammation  
have given such a tone to the system as to con-  
trivert the relative powers of the poison. Another fact.  
L<sup>d</sup> Matthews says that a mad dog was bitten by  
a viper, which produced a swelling & the dog was cured.  
The wound ought to be dilated & irritated. Brank  
cold leech, & exercise ought to be used in order to excite  
the greatest tone possible.

Order: *Casus* The judgement injured with pyrexia  
or *coma*. The mind acts upon the body. The body upon the  
It consists of will, understanding, moral faculty, & conscience.



||||| see Gullen.

Facility is born with us, or acquired by old age or accidental causes.

Constant constancy of the brain is necessary to right understanding. Those of children are soft, brains of madmen commonly too firm. Dr. Stark employed Egyptian mud in dementia with evident advantage. Cold. Tonics, exercise, cold bath, cold air did fair to be of service in this disease.

Facts. Dr. Priestly had a child who was an idiot at 6, or 7 years of age. it fell from a window & gained the use of its reason. Its skull was not fractured but much contused. Dr. Moore had a child in the same situation who recovered by being taught in the school. The exercising the faculties is the best method of preserving them. As thus we find some preserved of them to a very advanced old age.

The memory is capable of being improved. To effect this some Physicians recommend the study of Physics & Metaphysics. There is nothing more capable of improvement by exercise than memory —

### 36. *Hysteria* in children.

This disease may arise from, & rise from *Hysteria* all in the passion of the mind. The most frequent causes of this disease are Love, Grief & Religion.

It is very frequent in Great Britain imputed to the injury in animal food, malt liquors & company. It is said likewise that the manner of education in the Temp. Colleges with their passion for acting & tragedy acted upon the stage dispose much to this disease.

*Prognosis.* Delirium, delirium, Fugue, irregular employment. Long journeys have sometimes proved curative. —

### *Mania* in children.

The worst species is that where the moral Faculty is entirely suspended. This Disease is generally hereditary. The symptomatic species follows the use of Worms, Opium, Drinking, & excess and sometimes, & sometimes, which is to be considered as *Symptomatic*, *Symptomatic* or *Graviter* according to *Symptomatic*.



37  
Dulac recommends pukes when the  
disease occurs in Summer or Autumn for it then  
generally appears with bilious symptoms. It is  
hereditary depending on a certain conformation  
of the brain, & occurs at different periods of life  
often requiring occasional courses to produce it.  
we ought to have particular regard to the pulse  
If the Tonic proceeds we must attempt the cure  
first by bleeding thus we diminish arterial  
tension & of course the nervous is also taken off.  
Purgings, Altering, Secum Malt. Cold water  
applied to head in such a manner as to produce cooling  
effects. Acute Catarrh of guttae have been found  
frequent. Opium after evacuations is of the utmost  
consequence.

Tonic species a different mode of practice is  
necessary here. The most powerfully exciting remedies  
generally do but little service. Blisters, stimulants,  
vomiting, exercise, prove most beneficial.

38 *Leon.* The most says that Chloromela will  
be more as chronic Madnes used to be cured by  
throwing the patient into water & keeping him  
there till almost drowned.

*Leon. & Zacutus.* tells us that madnes is sometimes  
cured by Tonic coming on. An inflammation  
in the brain has cured madnes as also an abscess  
in the thigh. Issues, Scissions incouraging a cure  
& the more frequent application of blisters is  
lik. it would prove useful. In the Tonic species some  
severity may be necessary; but in the chronic more  
gentle means are to be used.

*Oniriodipsia.* The imagination violent & trou-  
blesome in sleep. see Galien.

Troublesome Dreams, Night mares, & walking in  
the sleep come under this head. In perfect sleep  
the thinking powers of the soul are entirely  
suspended, in this situation therefore there is no  
dreaming. In those who walk, it is supposed that  
that



34  
that part of the brain which goes to the muscles  
is not collapsed. Hence the property of procuring  
Exercice which brings on some sleep. According to  
suspects. If used to suppress the want of the usual  
stimulus <sup>will</sup> produce the same effect. An Opium may  
sometimes be necessary. It is suspected that all  
those who go to bed well at night & are found  
dead in the morning die of Incubus—

## Cachexia in children.

(P) *Marces* a wasting of the whole body—

*Talus*. Lungs, Asthenia & Plethoric Tumor in children—  
Children are more subject to this disease than men.  
Ulcers in the Kidneys, Stomach &c are frequent causes of the  
disease also scrophulous Poison produce it. The poison  
is often generated from the use of *Cephus repens*—

Cure Tonics, as bark, steel, cold Bath, Exercise &c

(P) *Strophica* Lungs Asthenia without Plethoric Tumor

When this disease does exist (which is doubtful) the Cure is  
the same as above. Steel in chronic diseases would be a  
medicament if used in large quantities. Administered in powder  
to the q<sup>ty</sup> of  $\mathfrak{z}\text{i}$  would prove very beneficial. —

*Intumescencia* a tumescence swelling  
on the whole or a great part of the body

(P) *Atrophia* —

(P) *Atrophia* a tumescence swelling of the body from the

that under certain circumstances is a disease. Those

who become fat before their 40<sup>th</sup> year are not usually long  
lived.



for this purpose when the venous Thrombosis takes place it  
is sign of long life.

Causes of Fatigue when it is a disease are Sexual Inter-  
ference, intense study, and sedentary life, all these  
all these produce it which proves it to be a disease.

It also follows the cessation of certain evacuations, and  
the cessation of the stimulus of thinking.

Many remedies are tried none is to be depended upon  
but exercise.

## Stomatose

Stomatose - Stom. elastic swelling of the body crachling  
under the hand. see Cullen —

When this disease occurs Exercise, Friction & cold bath  
are the only remedies to be depended upon —

Tympanites - Stom. elastic swelling of the abdomen  
distensions, and distensions of the points. see Cullen —  
Cure. as above.

Physometra - see Cullen.

Swelling of the womb from wind —

Cure. Tonics as Frank Sulph. —

*Emascerata* An. indolent swelling of the whole or part of the body, in Cullen.

*Cure.* Purgings & blisters are supposed to be the most effectual. Hydragogue purges, as Scammony & Gambogeomils in *Emascerata* & *Ascites* are very powerful remedies. Cornils & Hanges together. A large quantity of Tart. Emeth taken thro' mistake, wrought a purgation in a day, very violent, with much Scammony. Diuretics as well as Sweeten salts, Nitre particularly is of great use in a purgation from a cold, open full to urine kept taken three times a day. Diaphoretics, Scarifications, Mercury, Venies, Aromatics, Whistles & Symplics have been found of use. (Cullen) Dr. Fothergill recommends to keep as soon as possible, before the Symplics have lost their tone.

*Hydrothorax* in Cullen. Symptoms in *Hydrothorax* are

edematous swellings in the legs usually accompanying

this disease  
*Cure.*



*Hydrorachitis* see Cullen.

*Spina bifida*. Caustic is said to have cured it.

*Hydrometra* see Cullen.

Scrapping of the womb has been cured by mercury.  
But cured in the quantity of  $\mathfrak{z}\text{ij}$  to a  $\mathfrak{ss}$  is said to have cured it.

*Hydrocele* see Cullen.

There are two methods of cure viz. Caustic &  
Needle. Most people prefer the caustic. The  
inflammation excited by its action cures the disease.

*Solids.*  
*Rachitis* see Cullen.

We have very little of this disease in this country  
but diet contributes to deprive the bones of that  
matter which is necessary to make them dense.

People think that putting children upon their feet  
too soon disposes them to Rickets. This is the reverse.

Remedies are Stear, Munk, Frictions, Cold Bath &  
genuine diet. A radical cure is to rub the spine  
& whole body with Fish oil.

4th. Impetigo in Cullen.

Scrophulous in Cullen.

Negroes seem to be more affected with this disease than white people. A predisposition to this disease is hereditary, as in the Gout; but it is not congenital & may be acquired. Dr. Whist's chief dependence (when he had experience of 1200 cases) was on Mercurial doses of 10. 15 or 20 of 4<sup>th</sup> water time. The tumors most frequently appear in the neck and throat. Cullen is necessary in describing them as they very often fall upon the lungs and thereby bring on consumption.

Syphilis in Cullen.

Dr. Hunter's Treatise on this disease is a valuable one. A fresh infection has been known to cure a Gleet. An infection of port wine will generally cure it. It may be taken off more than by Cautery.



45.  
The most troublesome & distressing to which human nature  
is subject. It is called the Scabie. The disease  
does not appear within three months after infection  
in the usual place we may observe the pustules there  
in no infection. It first appears in the neck, Chancres,  
buttocks, & sores upon the scrotum.

There, see Hunter's Treatise. Opium is not a radical cure  
for this disorder. The Quick Silver pill is to be refused  
because of the profusion of mercury, as persons  
under the use of it are not liable to catch cold nor  
prevented from suffering their trainings.

Scrophulous consults Lind or Ferrius. That the  
kinds are vitiated is certain Dr. Wilson's theory  
is that the scrophs are the seat of the disease. Scrophs  
pustules are said to produce scrophs. This thought  
not to be a stupid disease, because the blood is Anti-  
septic Dr. Ferrius takes notice of a drainage of sight  
which takes place in the disease -

46. Cure. This must consist in a removal of all the  
unlike causes & thus the disease also. Lime, orange  
or Lemon Juice are the best applications for the  
sore that raw. Pulver applied should be sprinkled  
with Lemon juice &c.

*Elephantiasis* <sup>Sp. 10.</sup> *Truncosia* *Trichoma*  
in Cutis.

These diseases seldom occur at present. *Trichoma*  
the formerly very common in *Plum* is at present  
little known. *Truncosia* in the young has been cured  
by Merc. G. Sub. Gum Guaiac given in large quantities

*Schistis* in Cutis.

Jaundice from Calculi is common is common. These  
calculi are composed of indurated bile, therefore improperly  
called calculi. They are inflammable. Boerhaave  
recommends drinking warm water in large quantities  
as a relaxant.

Cure. Should begin by an Emetic; the bowels should  
be kept open; Ureas are most commonly used I said to



Respiration & vision to all kinds of motion occur. This  
should be removed by Molecul. When these remedies  
prove unsuccessful & edema is considerable, & Mineral  
waters on account of their astringency are good  
Icterus Gravidarum comes on during pregnancy & secured  
by delivery.

Icterus Infantum is cured by Rhubarb —

### Locales in Lumen —

Dysosthesis in Lumen.

Len. Catigo. in Lumen —

An instance of which occurs in Catarrh. Alu. & Sub.  
said to be found in incipient cataract.

Leucotomy is generally the only effectual means  
but is commonly unsuccessful Another instance is  
from opacity of the cornea a defect of aqueous humor  
also sometimes from gutta serena, which is a  
disease of the retina arising from compression.  
When this disease arises from compression & bleeding  
Purging are to be used —

in *Immutabilis*, *Lysipus* *Indevelopatus* in *cutem*  
in *Authors* —

*Dyssecera Paracensis* in *cutem*

Dr. Pringle says that *Lysipus* is incurable only  
when it arises from indurated matter, which may be extracted  
by instruments. Mercury injected for 2, or 3 months  
is said to be the best solvent

(*Insensibilis* the smelling diminished or abolished.

It arises from a defect of Nerves or insensibility of  
the olfactory Nerves. This disease has been cured  
by strong odours. . . .

(*Igneus* the sense of taste diminished or abolished.

It arises from the same cause as the former and  
is cured by Stimulants. Taste is compared to Music &  
has its accordant & discordant tones of harmony & discord.  
When two substances that accord, are combined they  
produce an agreeable sensation, as the concord in Music.  
When the discordant are conjoined, as Dish & Dish it  
occasions a disagreeable & uneasy sensation, & is  
manifestly



strongly a disagreeable taste. Facts as the discordant  
jarring sounds of music —

(1) *Anesthesia* the sense of feeling abolished or  
diminished. On this & the former disease see authors.

(2) *Lipschitz* an enormous & deficient  
appetite.

*Bulimia* an appetite for food in greater quantities  
than can be digested. — An excessive appetite is often  
a disease, 'tis difficult to fix the cause of this disease  
till we are acquainted with the cause of hunger.

Aliment serves two purposes 1<sup>st</sup> to nourish and  
supply waste 2<sup>d</sup> to act as a stimulus ~~and a stimulus~~  
and give tone to the system. Habit regulates  
this stimulus, 'tis by habit this disease is  
acquired, so by inducing a contrary habit by  
degrees, this disease is cured.

*Polypsiptia* an increased appetite for drink.

This disease is often artificial. 'tis frequently  
symptomatic of other diseases. The Indians who

50. who are more agreeably to nature than any  
other people never drink before noon, & then but little.  
The warmest weather seldom occasions drinking before  
2 o'clock. Drink is either stimulant or sedative in  
both cases it must be manifestly injurious. For the  
secondary operations of stimulants is always sedative.  
(1 pound of common salt has cured it.

Still I desire for things not and for food ...  
This disease occurs in Chlorosis, when an acid abounds  
Nature directs them to eat chalk lime &c which  
destroys it. Children often show a great desire  
for salt meat, which is thought to be strange;  
but as in them an acid abounds the salt meat  
is one of the best medicines: as by giving lime  
to the stomach it overcomes acidity.

Dyspepsia & dysphomania in children  
often occur from hygienic causes, as Indigestion of  
diet &c. The best antidote is warmish Habour.

Remission has been said to be an antidote. The  
Honey is taken to subdue their appetites. Treats as a Sedative.



This disease is either simple or complicated with other diseases. It was first remarked among the Swiss.

New England men are sometimes also very much affected with hemorrhoids. People who arrive here from Scotland are apt to be affected with Intermittents, It is amazing with what force this disease blends itself with it, so much as to make them perfectly incurable if they cannot return which is the best remedy.

### ( Spiculus. Deficientes.

( Inerxia. a deficient appetite for Food. This is a symptom of Dyspepsia.

( Sedysia a deficient appetite for Drink. It is most frequently a symptom of a disease.

( Inasphredia it want of Lust or Assistance of Semeny.

Cure. Cold bath and Electricity.

(*Stenosis*, a total suppression of voice without  
*Croup* or *Syncope*. It is sometimes occasioned by a  
 tumor in the *Trachea*. Tracheotomy has effected a  
 complete cure.

(*Mutitas* an impotence in articulating words.  
 When this is congenital it is not incurable.  
 Many persons born dumb have been taught  
 to speak by *M<sup>r</sup> Piquet*. He concluded that  
 a child must be necessarily born dumb who was  
 born deaf, thence concluded that the organs of  
 speech might not be injured.

*Strasphonia* a disordered voice of the voice.  
 The voice changes at the years of age. It is usually  
 generally arising from a defect of mucus in the *Trachea*,  
 in this I recommend as *Siquorice* & *Acid* proper.  
 When it arises from relaxation, leeches will relieve



53.  
Stellismus A defect in the articulation of words. Cullen.

Stuttering arises from a convulsive motion of the tongue. Pajon, Wright, Hasle & produce this when it is not habitual. When it is singing will relieve it or speaking very deliberately.

Strabismus. The optic axis of the eye not converging squinting arises originally from weakness sometimes from disease frequently from carelessness or accident. Cure. A pair of spectacles of paste board worn for a length of time has been found to cure it - -

Contractura in Cullen.

Cullen best relieves this disease when it arises from the enlargement of the capsular ligament.

Deep Excisions made by caustic proportioned to the largeness of the joint, & kept running will be service.

Dysphagia in Cullen - -

On 4<sup>th</sup> C. Stenoses.

Stenosis. A thick of blood.

515 *Marina* from *Jalisco* & many persons from  
a slight cut on the drawing of a tooth are in the most  
danger of their lives. Sometimes it is cured by  
cut compression till the artery has united with  
this disease. A discharge of this kind from the nipple  
has been cured by applying a rag wet with  
Port wine to the part affected.

*Epitheliosis* & *Spontaneous Evacuation of Sweat*  
When this disease is uncurable the cure is to be attempted  
by a flannel shirt, sweat & Elax of Citric. When it  
is painful washing the part with Port wine.

*Epitheliosis* & *Flux of Salivary humors*  
*Fistula Sialyrmalis* has been cured by Mercury  
frictions & Excretion —

*Myelitis* & *Flux of Saliva* —  
It is cured by exciting evacuations elsewhere. That  
species occasioned by Mercury is certainly cured by  
purging. Sulphur is esteemed the most proper purge. Licking  
Limes or Lemmons when the mouth is not sore removes the disease.



ONCHITIS an involuntary flux of urine from  
the bladder & without period.

That species arising from want of tone in the ~~rectum~~<sup>sphincter</sup>  
~~urethra~~<sup>urethra</sup> is best relieved by a blister applied to the perineum.

This gives tone to the perineum which is communicated  
to the bladder & thus cures the disease. Balsams Cantharid.

It are frequently given also. That arising in the last  
month of pregnancy is remedied by evacuating & purging  
taking off as much as possible the superfluous & irrita-  
tions. After the purge an Anodyne may be given.

Doct & Tonics are of service —

Emorrhoea in children.

This disease seldom appears after 12 days of age.  
Soe. is the usual time.

Emorrhoea pura & mitis occurs from injuries  
bruising &c. &c. —

Impura may be communicated otherwise than  
by having connection with impure women.

50 6666 of this species has been attempted. 1<sup>st</sup> by  
the use of caustic Alkali which may be used & purged  
when the first symptoms of the disease appear; it  
must be used however as soon as the infection is  
received; or not at all, after the symptoms have  
prevalled, it will then be injurious. It must be used  
by way of injection very much diluted when  
it will be as efficacious as Doan's Intermentals.

(2<sup>d</sup> By emulsified injections, of which I have always  
found the following one the best.

R<sup>x</sup>. Ung.<sup>t</sup> & Merc. ʒi. Mucilag. Gum Arab. ʒij.  
Citell. can. No. 1. Aq. fort. ʒ iij. m. -

For this injection, the Ointment should be made  
without Turpentine. Subd. fish. Calomel or Mer. 6.  
Sub. citell. can. & water are also used. - -

(3<sup>d</sup> Lenient Purges are sometimes of consequence  
they are only useful in keeping down inflammation.

When the discharge is thick & whitish, & the inflam-  
-mation gone off you may have recourse to astringents.



57.  
Astringents & Stimul. as Balsam Copal. & Pel. 57.  
Chalyb. Injections of Sac. Saturn. are sometimes  
used, but it is apt to induce an inflammation of  
the neck of the bladder. Where ulceration is suspic-  
ed in the urethra Catarrhus may be injected.

Gleet is in the penis, what a Coryza is in the  
nose but an increased secretion of mucus. When it  
subsists a long time, ulcers occur which are troublesome  
can be cured by mercury. When it arises from  
Relaxation. Astringent injections are to be used.  
The most frequent one is round clove, or equal parts  
of Port wine & Violets. This is more efficacious and also  
safer than any other. When the Gleet continues  
six months there is no danger of infection —

Dermatitidis is a very troublesome  
and obstinate disease. When leech, steel, wine,  
and cold bath have failed, it may be perfectly  
cured by salivation. Lying upon the back is  
unfriendly to this disease —

58. Ors. Epischemes suspension of the  
evacuations

Obstipatio in Gallen.

This is a common symptom in Hypochondriasis  
and Dyspepsia. Secondary people, more so, more  
women than men are troubled with it from not  
being able to stay the acts of nature. The duration  
for a short time, frequently recurring to the usual  
state at that time would prevent the ill effects  
attending this disease. Vegetables are more aspe-  
cient than animal food. Mullen's pills are used  
in this case: but dangerous on account of its mercurial  
properties. Apoplexy attends the repeated use of it—  
Rhubarb root chewed in the morning prevents it  
Glysters are injurious as they relax the intestines  
Schmidt, a total suspension of wine.

Coming to urines sometimes in the bladder, urines,  
Kidneys they have been discharged without pain.  
What arises from Gravel, Ureals, Cystitis &c  
is



is of all the most difficult to cure. Tricladia 59.  
is said to be the vinculum which binds the particles  
of stone together. It has been known to be as strong.  
Zij. Alk. Salt dissolved in Rhenish water or Chemnitz  
Water is. Va. Tea cups full taken three a day is an  
excellent remedy. —

Quattri acts in this case as a tonic & settles  
the stone success as well. A frequent or crust of stone  
taken every morning has proved serviceable. In the  
urine there is always a Septic tendency. after  
stagnation it is supposed to possess dissolving quali-  
ties not present in it before.

*Lysilla* a most powerful & in some cases infallible  
emipion of urine.

It occurs from Gonorrhoea, or Lemtharides taken or  
applied —

Cure. & emulcerate drinks as Flax seed, Maren or  
Mentley Tea, with Qu. Acid. it occurs from sperm  
compression. Mass. & Opium. Relaxation, ex-  
tended & suspended. Catarrhus Vesicae is.

It is easily known from the common effluvia  
1<sup>st</sup> by its odor not preceding, 2<sup>d</sup> being not  
accompanied with inflammation 3<sup>d</sup> The matter  
being remarkably viscid, never green or tinged  
with blood.

(1176, Tincture, Cataplasms, Injections, Washes &c  
This disease is sometimes a symptom of Syphilis.

## Dyspermatismus in Cullen —

### Menorrhoea in Cullen

This disease arises either from excess or suppression.  
When there is flux it must be treated as the primary  
disease. Prolonged sitting is seldom necessary.

Emmenagoguees Properly no medicine acts directly  
on the uterus, & many act indirectly by strengthening the  
whole system. But is proper except when affections of the  
Lungs occur in doses of from ℥i. to ℥ss. Mercury is indeed  
a general stimulant. — M. Chalybeate powder is to be



be given in powder, & the salt of steel in pills in three  
large doses 4 or 5 of them will generally be sufficient.  
Tincture in the intemperance & sometimes during the dentition  
age will be useful.

In all chronic diseases of the uterus, we should suspect an  
obstruction of the menses.

About the time that menstruation ceases, hemorrhagia,  
Stillicidium, Abundancy, Innumerate Complaints, Cancer  
of the womb, or Breast, Piles &c. sometimes occur.

When occasional bleeding & keeping the bowels gently  
open with Tincture of Sulphur will be necessary.

(Per) Sumeres.

(Per) increased magnitude of a tumor without inflammation

(Per) neurisma varix Ecchymoma. a tumor.

In Phlegm. Blood will often insinuate itself between  
the skin & the tumor. It appears black sometimes attending  
rotting is necessary to be done the blood is absorbed  
in a few days.

62. *Schirrhis* see *Cancer*.

It should by all means be extracted as it generally  
tends to cancer. The Knife is the best mode. Mercurial  
ointment will sometimes dissipate these tumors.

It is better removed it before suppuration.

*Cancer* see *Cancer*. see *Cancer* *Quercus*

Cancer in the breast or neck is attended with most danger.

In ulcerated cancers caustic is the best remedy.

There are various caustics as *Act. Act. Can. Lun. Lat. Inf.*

*Act. Can.* is thought to be preferable to any. The strength

of the application can be better regulated. It acts by  
inducing inflammation which throws off the mortified

part. - (About 15 or 20. grs. to 3 i. liq. sent. The  
juice of Linum distil in this and applied to the part  
once a day is found to be the most successful manner.

*Milko*. a suppurating tumor of a neighborhood of the

Caustic is the best manner of opening it.



63.  
Erythema a minute soft swelling under the skin without pain.  
As soon as this disease appears a caustic should be  
immediately applied to the spot, which seldom fails  
of effecting a cure.

Hydrotic vesicles of the skin, filled with a watery  
fluid may be caused by the long continued use of mild  
caustics; as Sulphur Glauca, Sells &c. The most certain  
remedy is Calomel & Wheat Flour  $\frac{1}{4}$  part of Calomel  
&  $\frac{3}{4}$  Flour may be begun with & gradually increased  
till an emulsion of equal parts. N. B. & Quack remedy.

Hydrotic in children.

While swelling chiefly affects the knee. & Spasmodic  
blister or caustic plaster continued for 3 months is  
seldom known to fail.

It is a distressing application.

64.

(((Crested))) A horn tumour at the base  
Cremat's horn.

Ord

(((Crested))) in Cullen.

Treatment. Small Pills &c.

Ord.

(((Crested))) in Cullen.

In all cases where joints are injured by gun shot  
wounds amputation. In endeavouring to save the  
limb the function is lost. The bones become carious  
lost lengthen. Pectoral tumour does the same.

In wet cases there is generally a great deal of  
contusion. A tendency to gangrene particularly in  
summer which renders the taking of Bone & matter  
imprudently necessary. —



Ulls. in Cullen

60.

There is a chief, in the legs. There is an intimate connection between the legs and indurpence.

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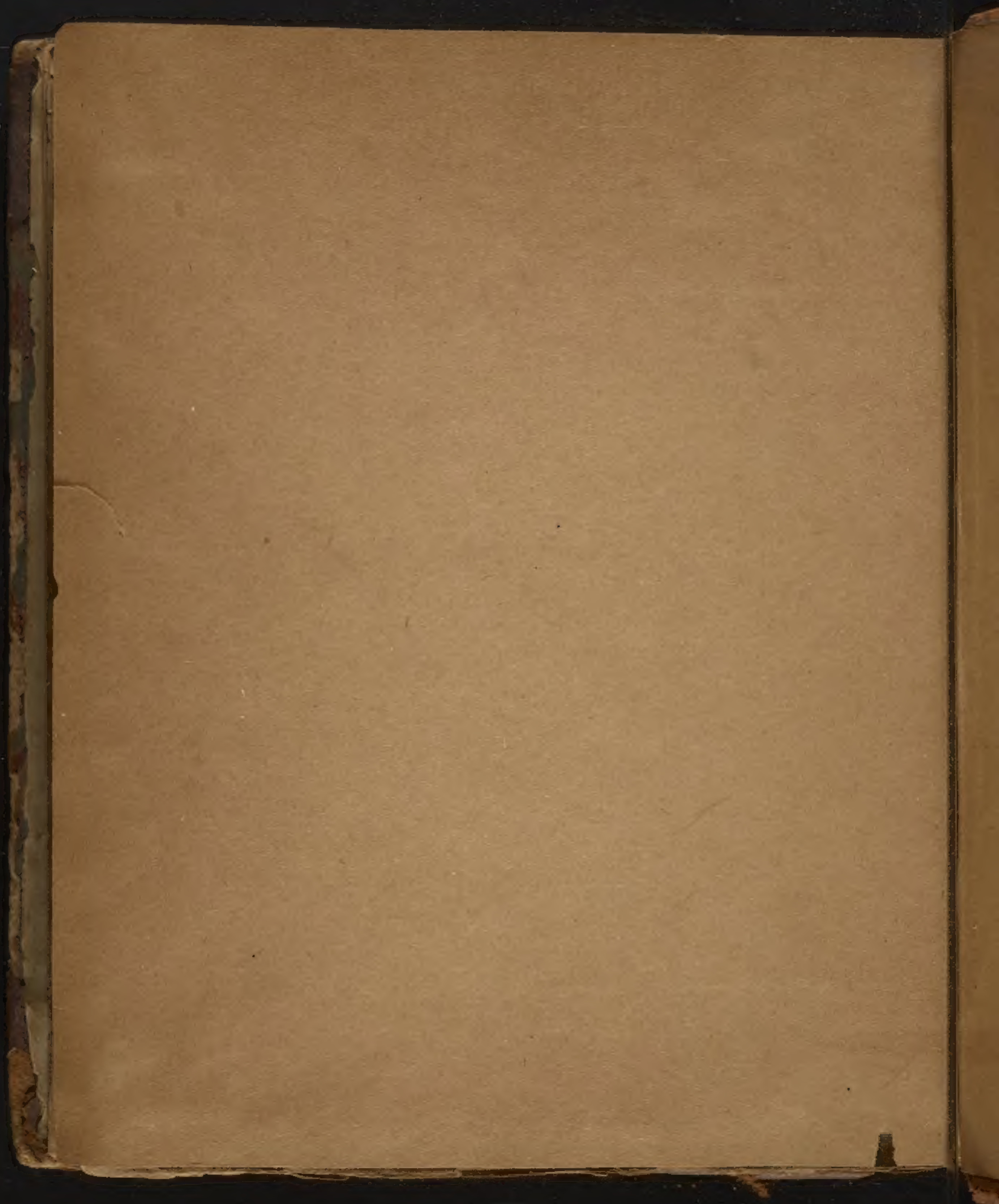


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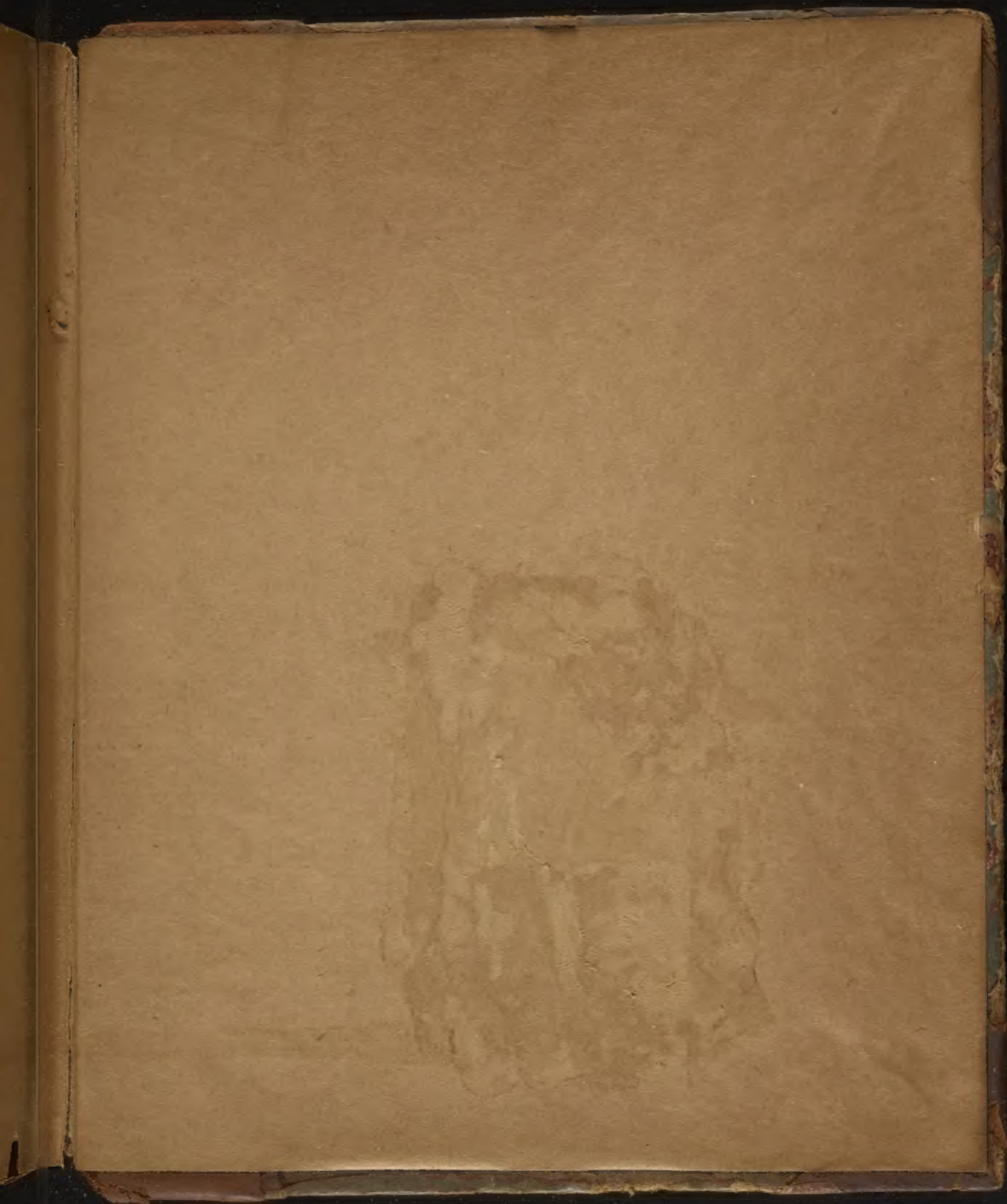
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